

# SPECTATOR '56









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The Class of '56

Presents

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# Foreword

Time insists that we depart from the place where four of the happiest and most important years of our young lives have hastened to completion. In this familiar red brick building, our personalities have been molded and the patterns of our futures have been designed.

We enjoyed working in harmony with our classmates and together we encountered new experiences, accepted important responsibilities and, in so doing, realized our highest goals. Another deciding factor of our achievements lay in unity of purpose; our determination to succeed in all undertakings.

Now we present one final product of our combined interest and effort as a class, the 1956 SPECTATOR. One will find between its covers a collection of treasured memories often to be relived and never to be forgotten.

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S. Hobinger



## *Superintendent's Message*



Although the modern secondary school no longer ministers mainly to a selected group of students who are preparing for entrance to higher institutions, it still continues to be primarily an intellectual agency. As such, it has the unique function of not only the developing of minds but also of aiding community agencies achieve their specific functions.

In carrying out its primary function, the school must encourage youth to lead intellectually strenuous lives; to cultivate the capacity to appreciate meaning rather than memorization, and to break through the rigid and narrow specialism of curricular subjects into the fields of knowledge that really enlighten. In fulfilling its instrumental responsibilities, the school must also offer a program of educational opportunities which will help to provide for the total growth of each student entrusted to its care.

This dual role of the school need not lead to a confusion of purposes or goals. With the objectives of character, knowledge, and democracy guiding our efforts, the school will be successful in turning out young people who are adequately equipped to participate effectively in the constructive, living processes of our democratic day society.

*Edward C. Diamond*

EDWARD C. DIAMOND  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS





## *Board of Education*

Members of the Watervliet Board of Education are appointed by the Mayor for a term of five years but receive no compensation for any services rendered. Meetings are held on the third Monday of every month with special sessions subject to the call of the President. The principal duty of the Board is to carry out the mandates of the University of the State of New York, Board of Regents. These duties include determining school policy, planning long range school services, and evaluating the quality of the educational services rendered by the schools. Specific duties include levying and collecting taxes, approving books and materials used in the school system, regulating salaries of staff personnel and providing for the maintenance of school buildings and school property.

The board is composed of President Frank L. York, Publisher and President of the Troy Record and Times Record; Eugene Kennedy, former Superintendent of Colonie shops of the D and H; Thomas T. Cavanaugh, Assistant Supervisor, Auditor of Disbursements D and H; Gerald B. Firth Supervisor of Gas Sales, Schenectady branch of Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation and John J. Noonan, Doctor of Medicine.



# Principal's Message

June, 1956

Dear Graduates:

The 1956 edition of the Spectator records your achievement as a class in Watervliet High School. Its pages reflect the importance of the "tangibles" in high school—proms, clubs, sports, and other extra-curricular activities. We wonder about the "intangibles"—knowledge and character development which are the real goals of achievement in high school life. Your academic record offers some appraisal, inadequate perhaps, of knowledge acquired. Evaluation of your character development must be delayed until you have acquitted yourselves in a world whose greatest need is good citizens. Each of you will be challenged in a world where moral and spiritual worth has been devalued. Are you ready to face that frontier with personal honesty, acceptance of moral responsibilities, and individual integrity? If you are thus prepared, then you have learned the meaningful lessons Watervliet High School meant to teach you. We shall measure your success in terms of your best efforts, be their results great or small. Some of you may be destined for fame, others for obscurity; but each of you must assume a responsibility. Someone has expressed this idea aptly as follows:

*"There is a place for you to fill*

*Some work for you to do*

*That no one can or ever will*

*Do quite as well as you."*

Success and happiness to each of you.

Sincerely,

*Elizabeth R. Hanrahan*

ELIZABETH R. HANRAHAN





## *In Memoriam*



### TO DIANE

*In Heaven afar  
She claims her place,  
She leaves behind  
A hollow space,  
Yet if we knew  
The peace and rest  
That come to those  
Who absorb God's best,  
We would realize  
That she now has gained  
A life of joy  
Ever free from pain.  
We would rejoice  
That she now scans  
Earth's scenes, earth's sins  
With power to understand,  
That we who have faith  
Will someday be  
With Him, with her  
For eternity.*

CAROL O'BRIEN



# Guidance



February of '56 was a joyous time for our Class. One of our favorite teachers received a promotion. "Prof" Collier, as he is fondly called by all students acquainted with his friendly smile and agreeable manner, was appointed Guidance director. This new position affords much work and long hours which Mr. Collier gives willingly. He began immediately to assist us in solving our problems and worked diligently in our behalf. We appreciate his efforts and take this opportunity to express to him our heartfelt gratitude and congratulations. We all wish "Prof" success and happiness for many years to come.





## Social Studies

Standing, left to right:  
MR. PITNELL  
MR. COLLIER  
MR. GABB

Seated, left to right:  
MISS WYLD  
MISS HANRAHAN  
MRS. BEVINS  
MRS. DANAHY



## Music and Art

Left to right:  
MRS. CROSS  
MR. BOUCHARD  
MRS. HUDSON

*Good luck,  
Glenn S. Pardus*

## Faculty

### Mathematics and Science

Left to right:  
MRS. AULISI  
MRS. POOLE  
MRS. PARDUS  
MRS. TROY  
MRS. QUINN *C<sub>6</sub> H<sub>5</sub>OH*



### Foreign Language

Left to right:  
MISS FOGARTY  
MRS. JONES  
MRS. MAHONEY





## English

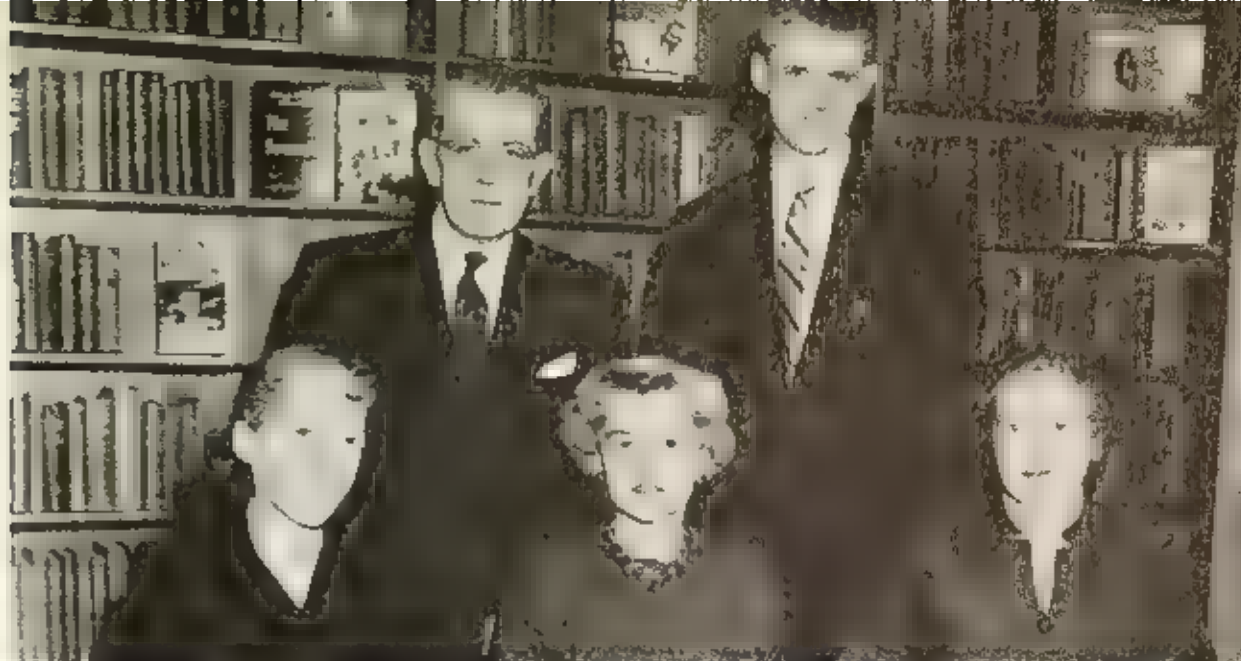
Top:

MR. Sauter  
MR. Crumm

Bottom:

MISS McClAY  
MISS GABRIELS  
MRS. RICHARDS

*Good luck Sandra!  
Alberta to you!*



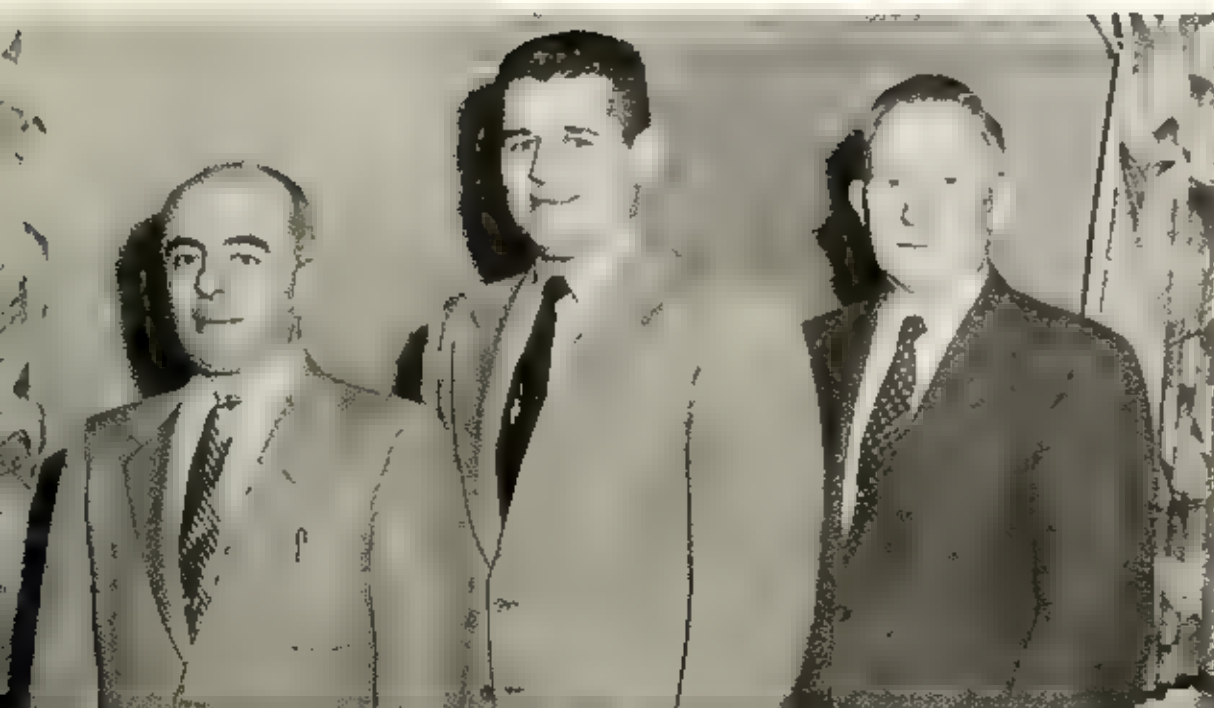
## Commercial

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MR. COHEN  
MISS SCHILLACI  
MRS. WALKER  
MR. THOMPSON



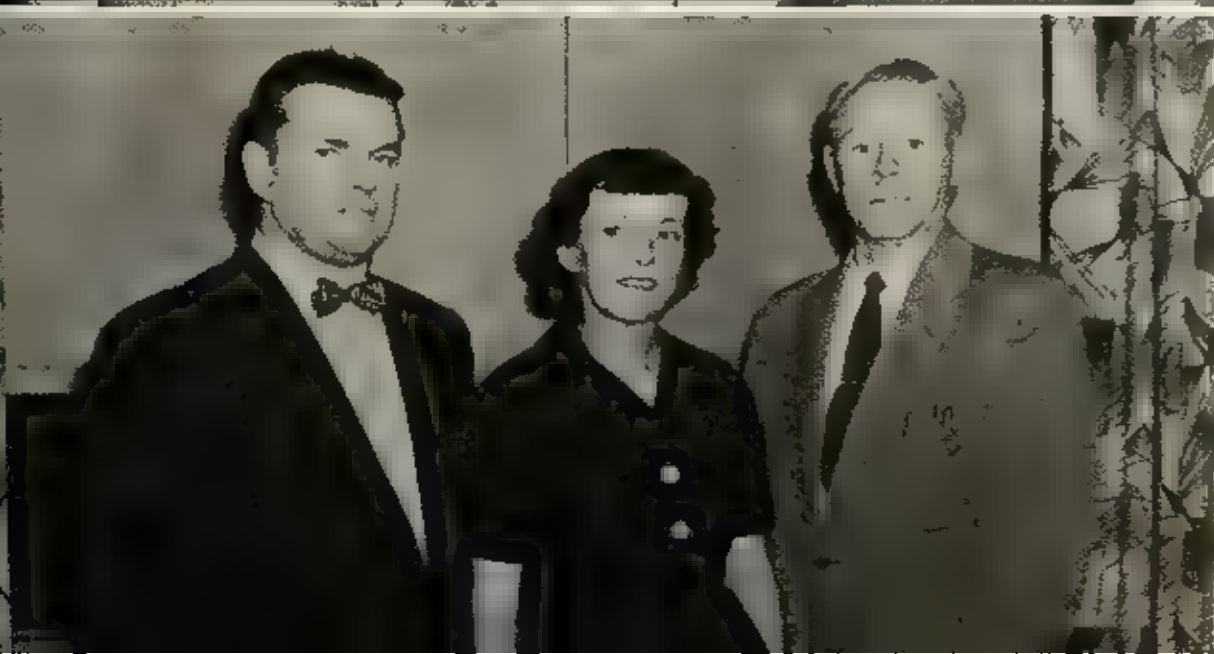
## Faculty



## Industrial Arts

Left to right:

MR. AULISI  
MR. WOZNIAK  
MR. HILL



## Physical Education

Left to right:

MR. NASH  
MISS FANNING  
MR. JONES





## Home Economics

Left to right:

MISS HASWELL *Mildred Haswell*  
MISS WAITE



## Secretaries

Left to right:

MISS JUDD  
MISS ROONEY  
MRS. PHELAN

## Faculty

### Cafeteria Staff

Left to right:

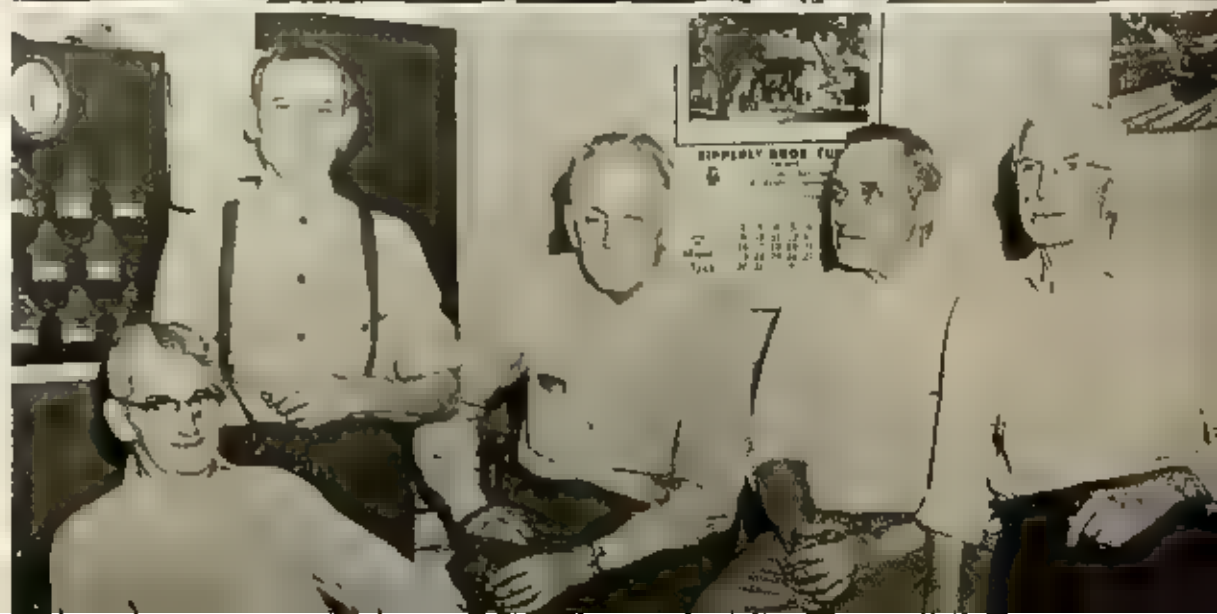
MISS WAITE  
MRS. DeLOLLO  
MRS. RICHMOND  
MRS. BLAZEJEWSKI  
MRS. BAKER  
MRS. KAWA  
MRS. BESSMER



### Maintenance Staff

Left to right:

MR. BURKE  
MR. MOULTON  
MR. BARRETT  
MR. MYERS  
MR. COUGHLIN







# Seniors

# 1956

*R. Casolo*





## *Dedication*

My very best  
Wishes to you,  
Sandra!  
Camille C. Aulisi.

Mrs. Aulisi,

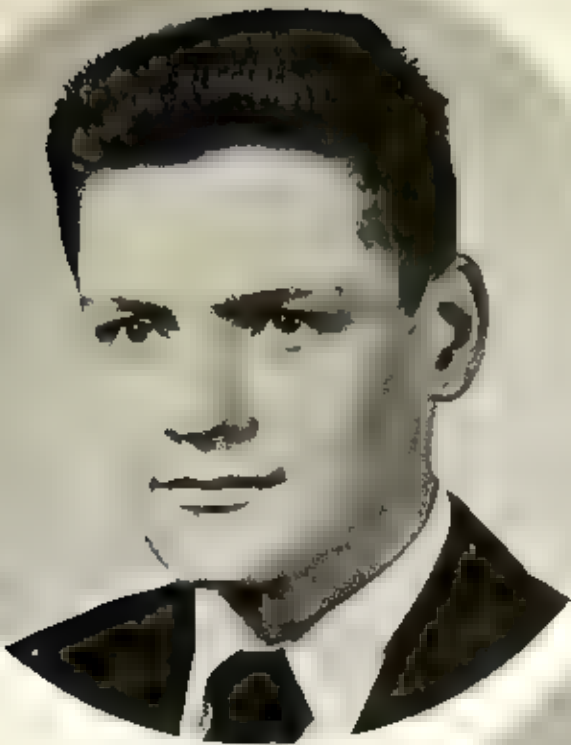
We of the Class of '56 could not depart from our Alma Mater without conveying our gratitude to you, our class advisor. We now express our thanks and appreciation for your many efforts on our behalf and your guiding hand in all our undertakings of the past few years.

It is with these thoughts that we dedicate the 1956 SPECTATOR to you.

The Class of '56



# Senior Class Officers

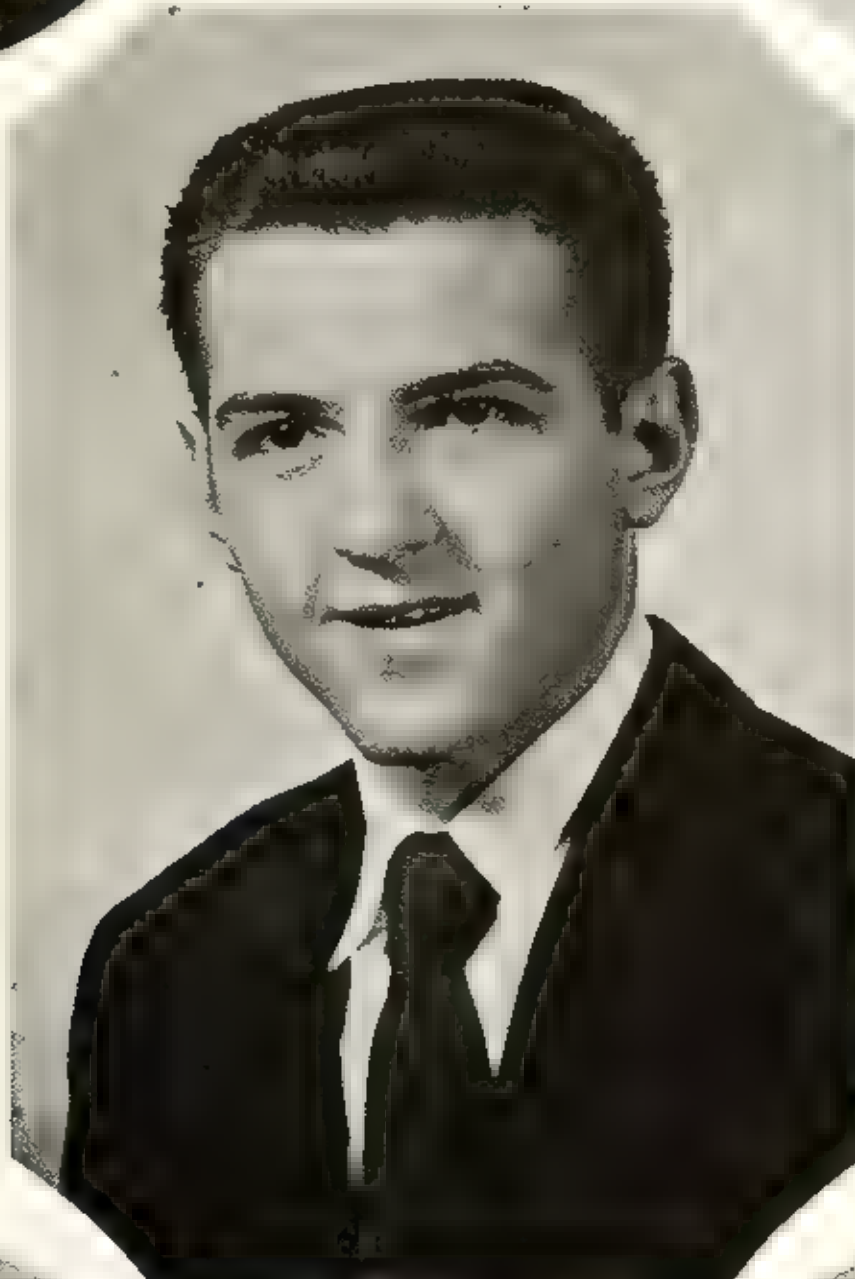


Vice President  
ALMERON RICHMOND

*Best of luck  
in the future  
AJ*



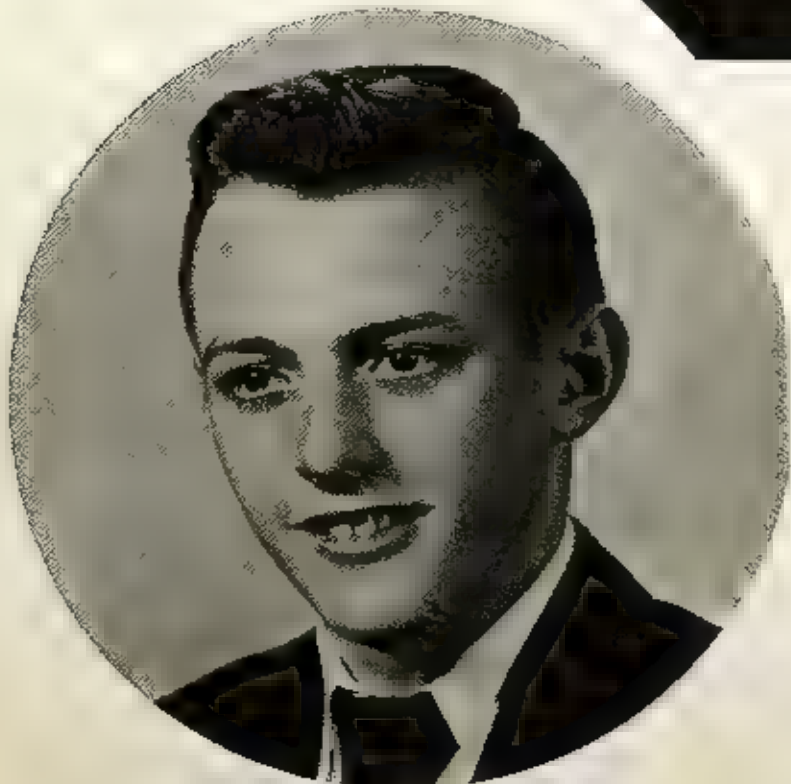
Secretary  
JUNE WALKER



President  
DAVID MANEY

*To an  
awfully sweet girl -  
Keep your values  
high - Remember  
me -  
Lini*

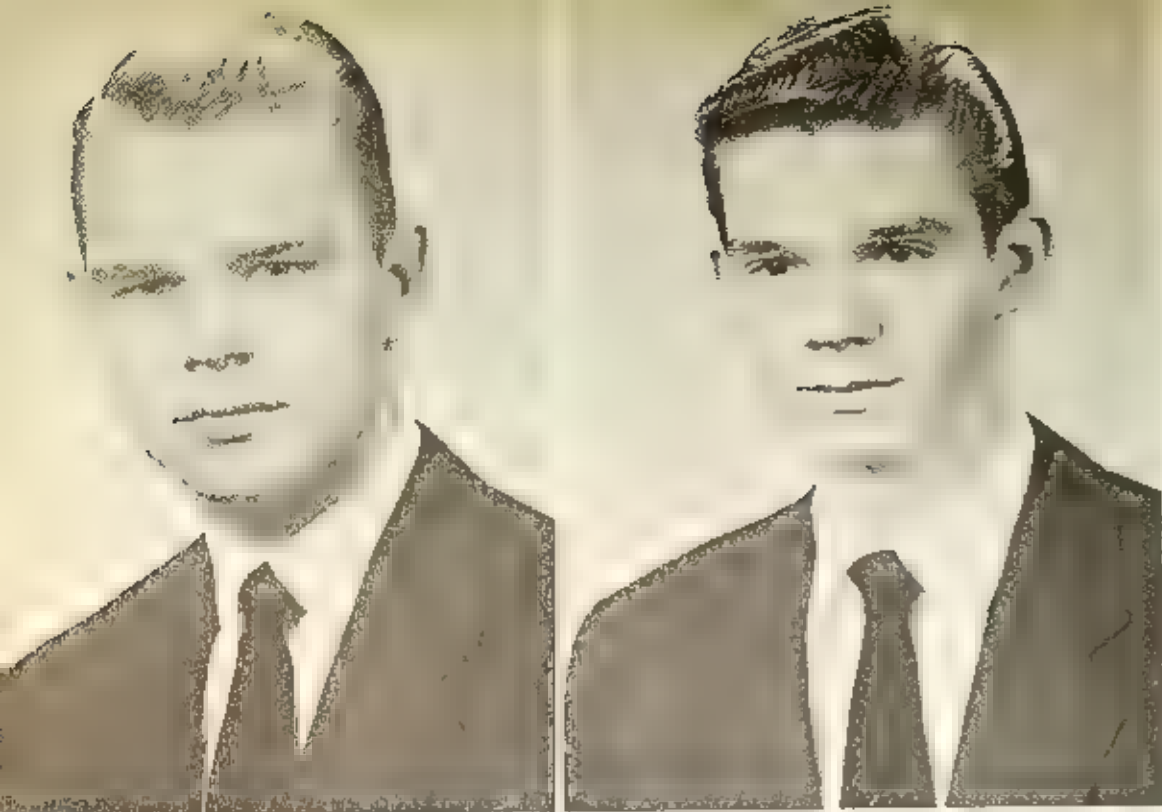
Reporter  
LINDA STEWART



Treasurer  
ROBERT POULIN







ELMER AKOTS

"EL TORE"

College Entrance

German Club 1, 2; Camera Club 1, 2; Spring Concert 1; Intramural Basketball 1, 2; German Club Vice President 2; Student Council Play 3; Forum Club 3, 4, Senior Play 4; Homeroom Representative 4; SPECTATOR

"Merrymaking and joy are his;  
Let life go by as it is."

MARTIN ALLEN

"BUDDY"

General

"Too wise to be mistaken,  
Too good to ever be unkind."

WAYNE AMBROSE

"SWANSON"

College Entrance

Intramural Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 1, 2; Student Council Play 1, 2, 3; Spectator Collector 1, 2; Assembly 1, 2, 3, 4; Sophomore-Senior Party; Varsity Football 3, 4; Track 3, 4; Junior Play 3; Spring Concert 3; Class Night 3; June Prom 3; Announcements 3; Senior Play 4; Homeroom Representative 4; SPECTATOR

"Light of heart, breezy, and jolly."

BARBARA ASHCROFT

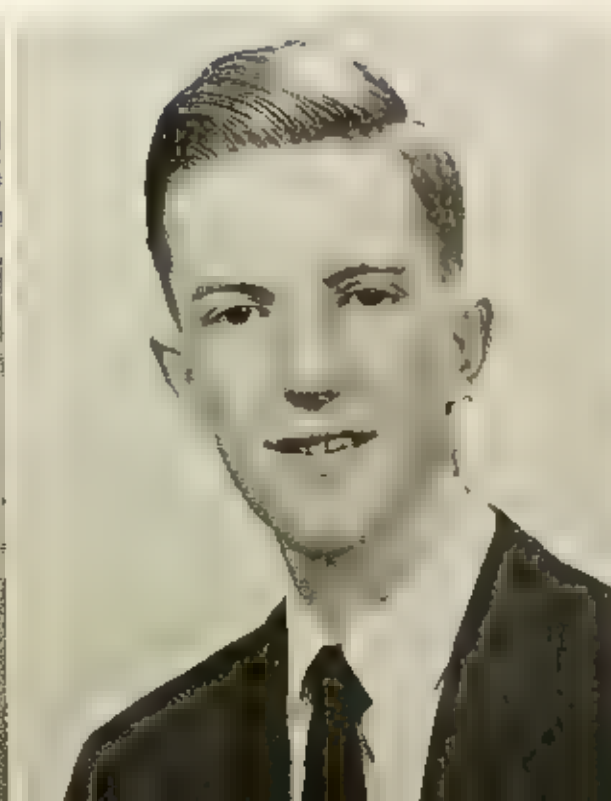
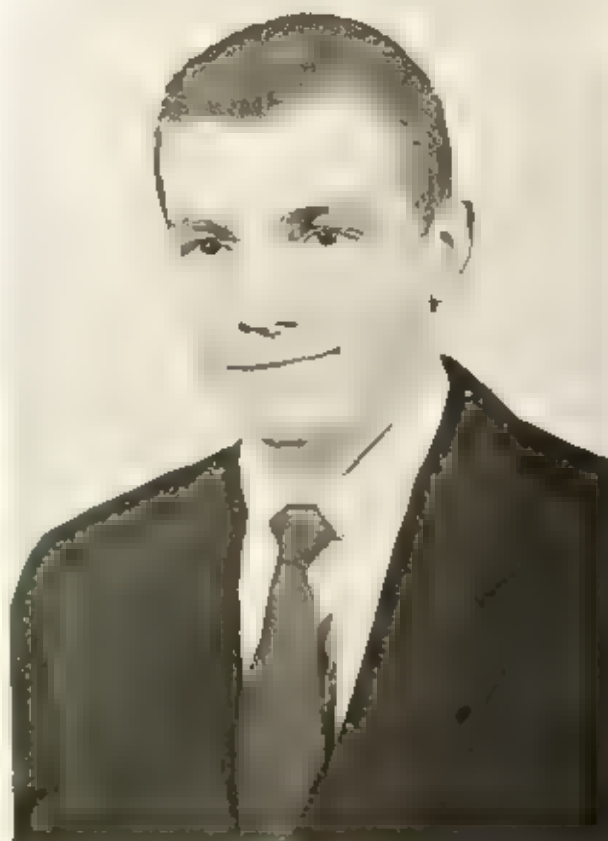
"BOBBIE"

Commercial

Spanish Club 1; Sports Night 1; Girls' Sports 1, 2; Maorettes 2, 3, 4; Announcements 2, 3; Drill Team 4.

"Happy go lucky, fair and free."

*To Lander  
Good luck in  
your future years  
at with always  
keep that radiant  
personality  
Lynn*



MARILYN ASHLEY

"LYNN"

College Entrance

Cohoes 1, 2; Spanish Club 3, 4; GAA 3, 4; Forum Club 4; Senior Play 4; Drill 4; Girls' Sports 4; SPECTATOR.

"Here is a maiden fair to see,  
Who is as friendly as can be."

ROBERT AVERY

"BOB"

College Entrance

Spanish Club 1, 2, 3; Spring Concert 1; Camera Club 2, SPECTATOR

"He is constantly astonishing us with his wit and wisdom."



JOSEPH BAK

"JOE"

Commercial

LSI 1, 2; Intramurals 3, 4; Track 3, 4; Football 3, 4.

"A keen wit, an appreciation for good humor, and a genius for getting into trouble."

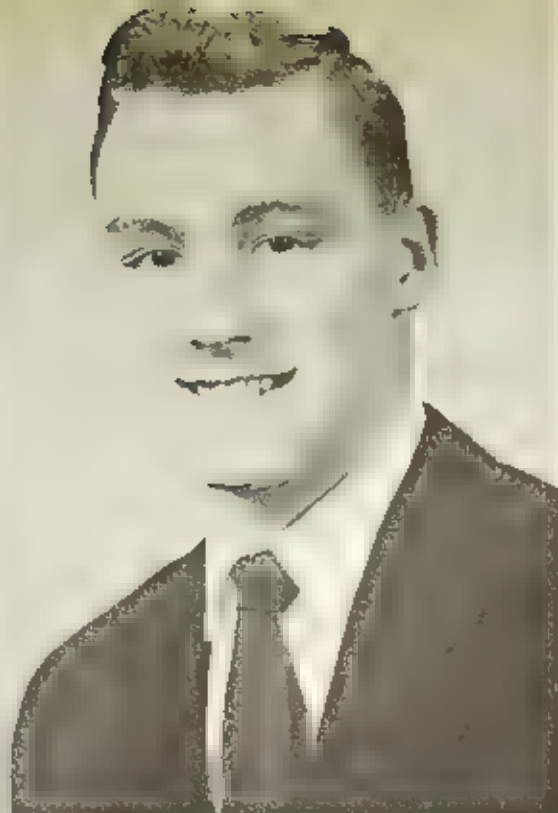
FRANK BARONE

"FRANK"

College Entrance

Football 1, 2, 3, 4

"All the world loves a lover."



SHIRLEY BATTISTI

"CHINK"

Commercial

Spring Concert 1; Sports Night 1; Spectator Co-ordinator 1; Art Club 2, 3, 4; Treasurer 3; Vice President 4; Thalian Society 2, 3, 4; Soiree 3, 4; SPECTATOR

"Characterized by her lovely voice."

JOYCE BEST

"FLOSSIE"

College Entrance

French Club 1, 2; Girls' Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Sophomore-Senior Party; Spanish Club 3, 4; Reporter 4; Announcements 3, 4; GAA 3, 4; Treasurer 4; Thalian Society 4; Soiree 4; Junior Play 3; Garnet and Gray 4; Drill Team 4; Senior Ball 4; Senior Play 4; June Prom, COURT 3; SPECTATOR.

"Light hearted and gay,  
Nothing ever shades her way."

VIRGINIA BIRD

"GINNY"

Commercial

French Club 1, 2, 3, President 2; Assembly 1, 2, 3, 4; Announcements 2, 3, 4; Thalian Society 3, 4; Soiree 3, 4; Forum Club 3, 4; Student Council Play 3; Senior Play 4; GAA 3, 4; Corresponding Secretary 4; Drill Team 4; Girls' Sports 2, 3, 4; June Prom 3; Garnet and Gray 4; J.V. Cheerleading 3; Varsity Cheerleader 4; Journalism Dance 4; SPECTATOR 4.

"Beauty is the gift of God."

JOAN BLOOD

"TERMIE"

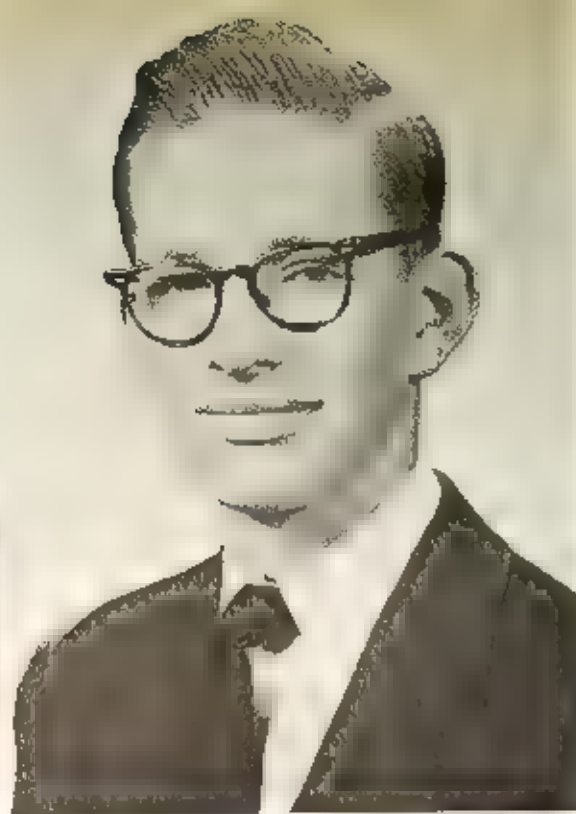
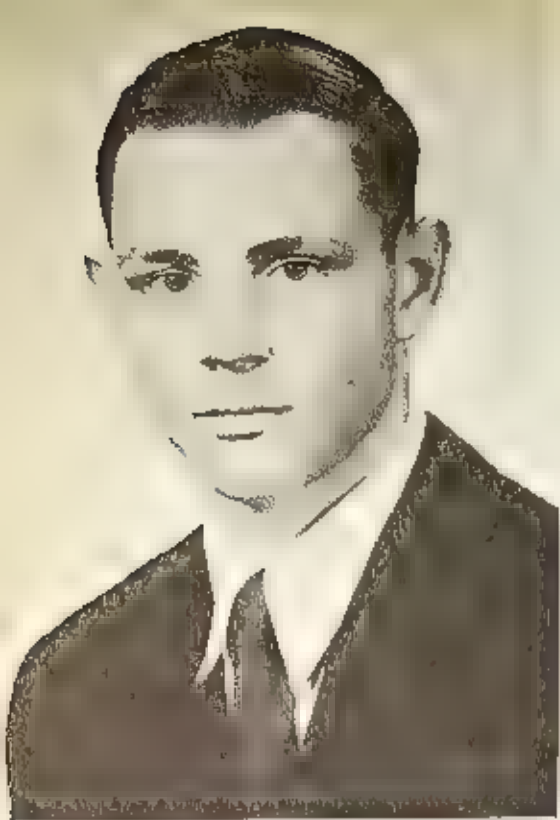
Art

Lansingburgh 1, 2, 3; Girls' Sports 4.

"Nothing is impossible to a willing heart."







WARREN BOMBOY

"WARREN"

Commercial

"Achievements are born of industry."

ARTHUR BOWEN

"ART"

College Entrance

Latin Club 1, 2; Sophomore-Senior Party; Spanish Club 3, 4; Forum Club 3, 4.

"A friend to all."

VIRGINIA BOWEN

"GINNY"

Commercial

"Cheerful, ever-smiling, never known to frown."

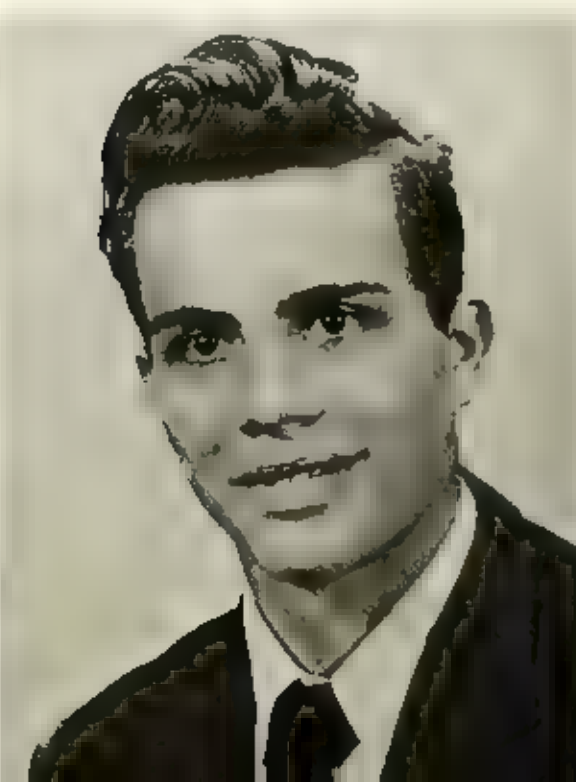
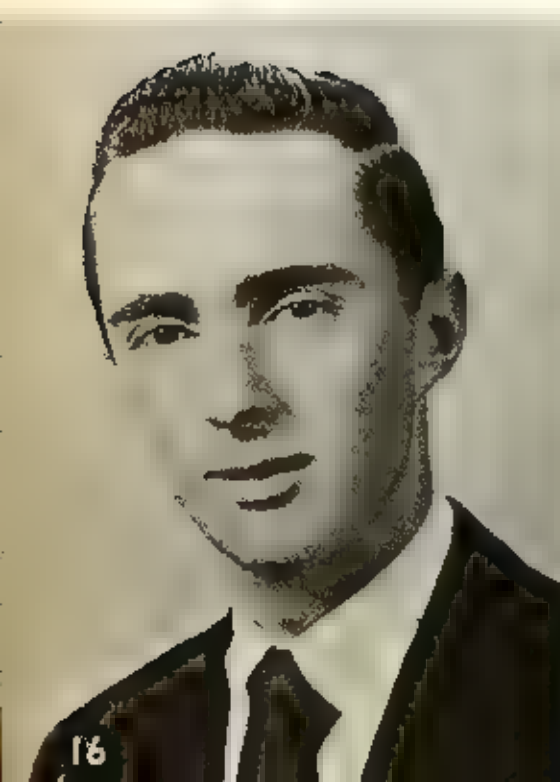
PATRICIA BREEN

"PATSY"

College Entrance

French Club 1, 2, Secretary 2; Assembly 1, 2, 3, 4; Girls' Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Sophomore-Senior Party; Announcements 2, 3, 4; Thalian 3, 4; Soiree 3, 4, Treasurer 4; June Prom 3; JV Cheerleader 3; Varsity Cheerleader 4; Student Council Treasurer 4; Drill Team 4; Senior Ball 4; Senior Play 4; SPECTATOR.

"A sweet, attractive kind of grace."



GEORGE BROWN

"BILL"

Commercial

"Merry making and joy are his;  
Let life go by as it is."

RICHARD BUDKA

"BUTCH"

General

Intramurals 1, 2, 3.

"A merry heart that goes all day."



JAMES BUTLER

"JIM"

College Entrance

PL JHS 1; German Club 2, 3, 4; June Prom 3; Student Council Alternate 4; SPECTATOR

"Silent performance maketh best return."

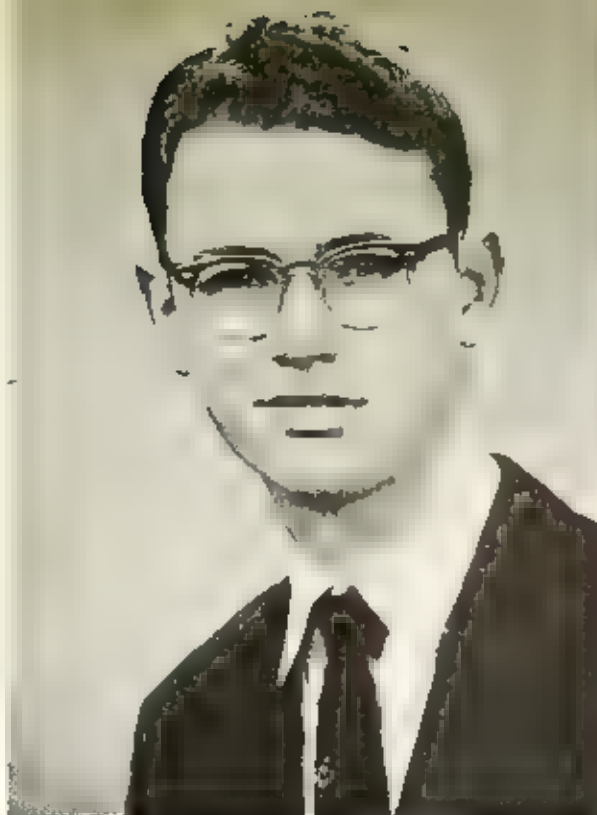
NATALIE CALL

"NAT"

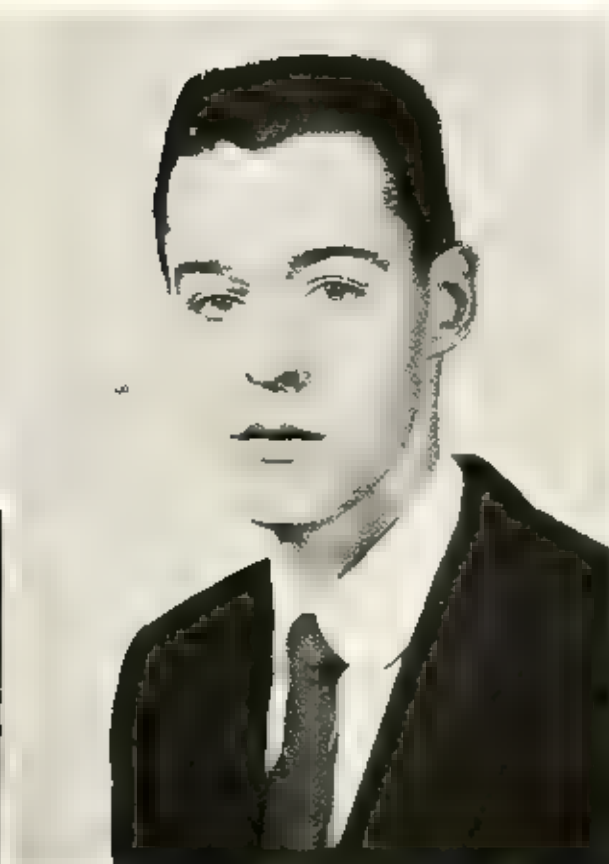
Commercial

Assembly 1, 2; Sports Nite 1; Latin Club 1, 2; Officer 2; Sophomore Senior Party; GAA 3; Forum Club 3, 4.

"Light of heart, light of step."



*Best of luck to  
a cute girl  
Nathalie*



JOSEPH CAPOZZELLI

"CAP"

General

TRHS Intramurals 2, 3, 4; June Prom 3; Track 3, Spectator Collector 3.

"Men of few words are the best of men."

JOHN CARROLL

"OIL MAN"

General

CCHS 1; Varsity Basketball 3, 4; SOCCER 3, 4; Track 3, 4

"Not a sinner, though not a saint."

*Send  
Best of luck to  
a real nice gal.  
Have fun in your  
future years at  
H.H.S. & Rose's*

ROSELLA CASOLO

"ROSE"

Commercial

JOYCE CHARTRAND

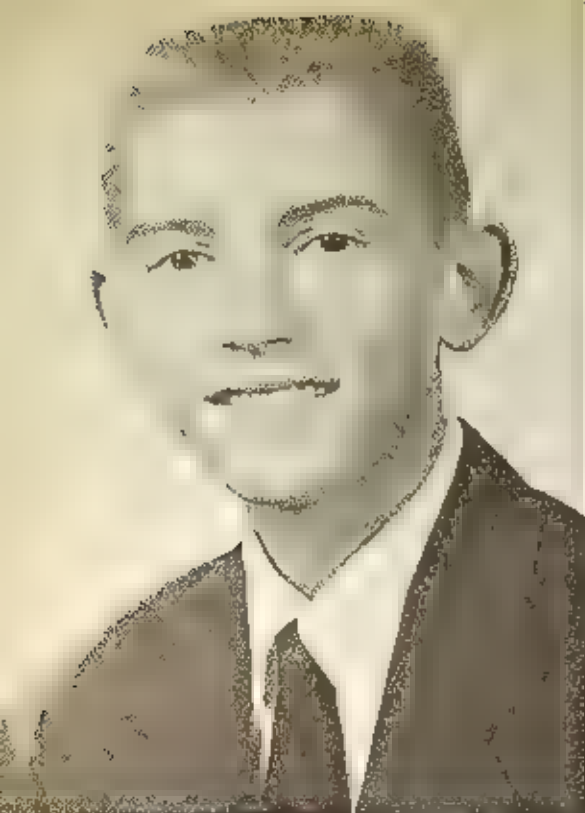
"JOYCE"

Commercial

"A nicer smile was never seen,  
A better friend was never known."







ROBERT CHIPLOCK

"CHIPPY"

General

Intramurals 1, 2, 3, 4; Assistant Manager of Football 1, 2, 3; Football Manager 4; Assembly 1, 2, 3, 4; Assistant Manager of Baseball 2; Art Club 2, 3, 4; Sophomore-Senior Party 2; Announcements 3, 4; Spring Concert 3.

"Ever cheerful, jolly, and gay"

CONSTANCE CIETEK

"CONNIE"

Commercial

Girls' Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Announcements 2, 3.

"Changes with the weather is her personality pace."

*Best of luck  
to a real  
sweet and  
lovely  
Connie*

*Best love Always. I see you  
singing in the choir (only kidding)  
"Bob"*

ROBERT CLARK

"BOB"

College Entrance

French Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Assembly 1, 2; Garnet and Gray 4; Journalism Dance 4.

"Goodness of disposition is the gift of nature"

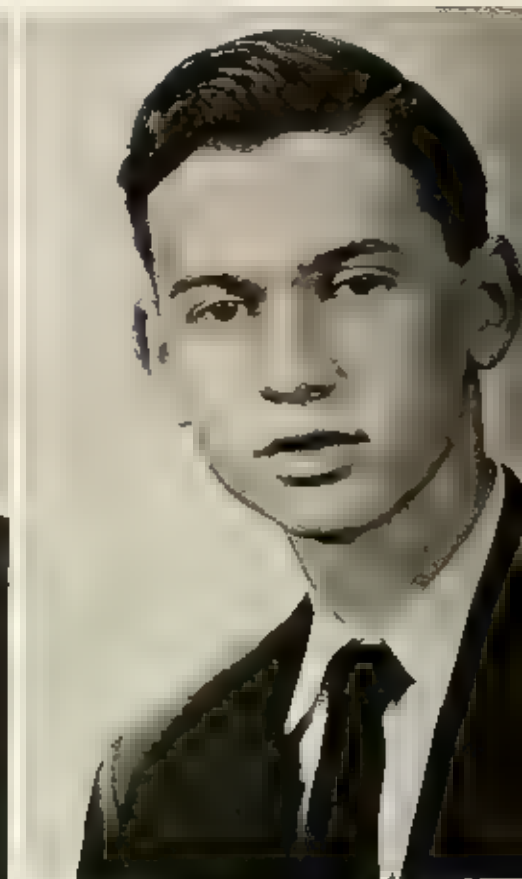
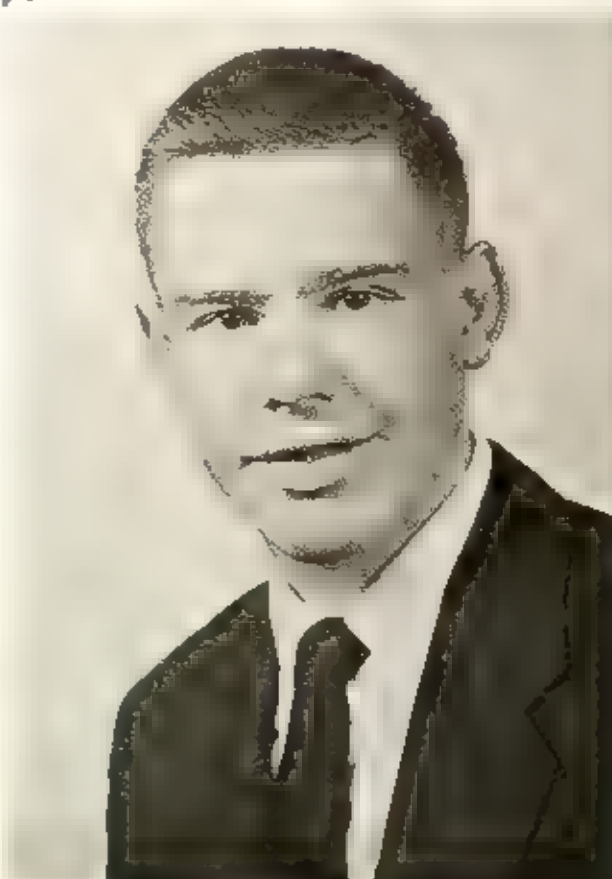
JOHN COHEN

"JACK"

College Entrance

Spring Concert 1, 2, 3; Assembly 2, 3; Camera Club 2, 3; Forum Club 3, 4; June Prom 3; HR Representative 4; Art Club 4; SPECTATOR

"Silent performance maketh best return."



*To Sandra,  
Best of luck in  
the future to a very  
pretty friend.  
Carole*



*Lots of Luck  
Always "Carol"*

CAROLE COLLIER

"CAROLE"

College Entrance

French Club 1, 2, 3, Secretary 1; Camera Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Library 3, 4; Sports Nite 1; Bowling Club 2; Spanish Club 3, 4; Treasurer 4; The Iota Society 3, 4; Secretary 4; Soiree 3, 4; Forum Club 3, 4; Ring Committee 3; HR Representative 3; Assembly 3, 4; Student Council Play 3; GAA 3; Junior Play 3; June Prom 3; Senior Play 4; Drill Team 4; SPECTATOR.

"Thy modesty is a candle to thy merit."

CAROL COMPROSKI

"CAROL"

Commercial



PRISCILLA CONOVER

Commercial

German Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Secretary 3, 4; Girls' Sports 1, 4; Student Council Play 1, 2, 3; Announcements 1, 2, 3; Bowling 2; GAA 3; Senior Play 4; SPECTATOR.

"Happiness is the legal tender to the soul."

"P.C."

SANDRA COUGHLIN

Commercial

Girls' Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Sports Nite 1; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Drill Team 4; Leaders Club 1, 2; Thalian Society 3, 4; JV Cheerleading 3; June Prom 3.

"Laugh and the whole world laughs with you"

"SANDY"



HELEN DAGEN

Commercial

GAA 1, 2, 3; Sports Nite 1; Girls' Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Drill Team 4; Announcements 3; Assembly 2

"Gentle voice and pixie cuteness describes this bright-eyed dynamite."

"HELEN"

JOAN D'AGOSTINO

Commercial

Spring Concert 1, 2; Girls' Sports 1, 3, 4; Announcements 2, 3, 4; GAA 3, 4; June Prom 3; Camera Club 4.

"The tresses of her hair black,  
Stream in masses down her back."

"JOANIE"

JOHN DARMETKO

General

NANCY DARMETKO

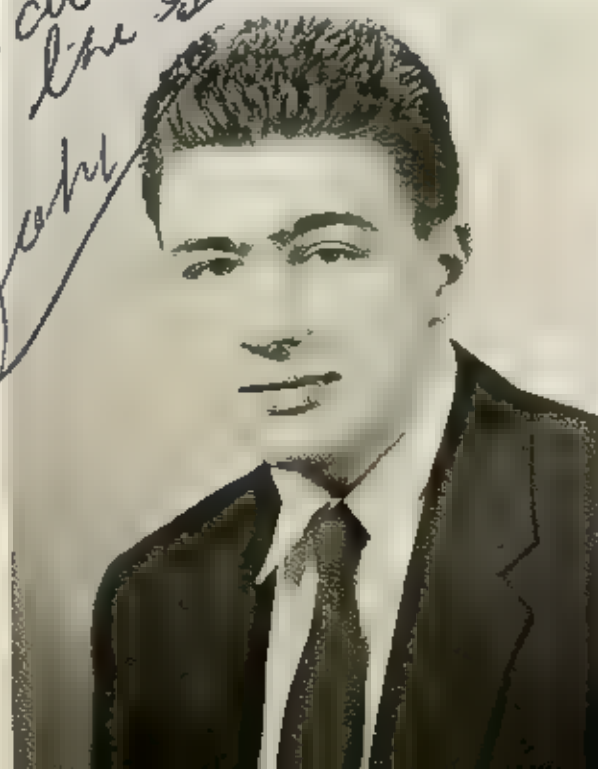
General

Girls' Sports 1, 2, 3, 4.

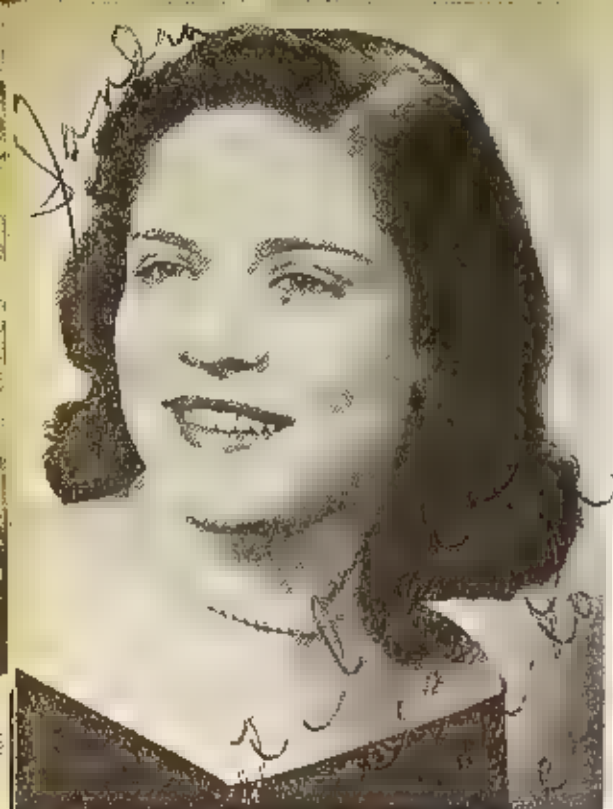
"A gay and happy g'rl who will lighten your day."

"JOHN"

"NAN"







ALYCE D'AVIGNON

"ALYCE"

Commercial

CCHS 1, 2; GAA 3, 4

"A quick wit and a ready answer."



NAN DEAN

"LOVER"

Commercial

Sports Nite 1; Girls' Sports 1, 2, 3; Sophomore-Senior Party 2; Guidance Office 4

"A keen wit with a genius for getting into trouble."

EVELYN DEL SIGNORE

Commercial

"Ev"

GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Girls' Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Assembly 2, 3, 4; Sports Nite 2; Leaders Club 2; JV Cheer leader 2; Varsity Cheerleader 3, 4; Captain 4; Thalian Society 3, 4; Soiree 3; Announcements 3, 4; June Prom 3; Student Council Alternate 3; Drill Team 4; SPECTATOR

"Divinely tall and most divinely fair."

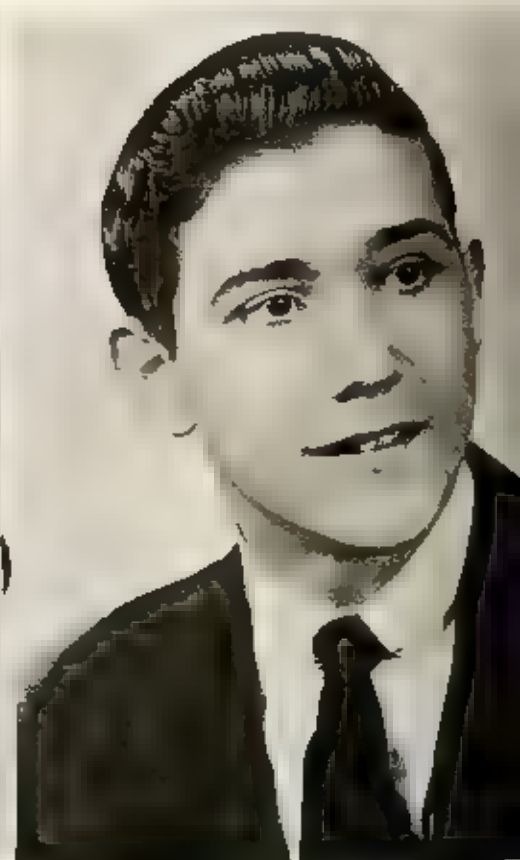
JAMES DEL SIGNORE

"DELL"

College Entrance

French Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Vice President 2; Sophomore-Senior Party 2; Student Council 4; Gamet and Gray 4; Announcements 4; SPECTATOR

"His outstanding supply of nonsense has lightened many a boring class."



MARION DEUEL

"RED"

General

Spring Concert 1, 2, 3; Camera Club 4; Girls' Sports 4; GAA 4.

"With a smile on her face,  
She's a friend to all."

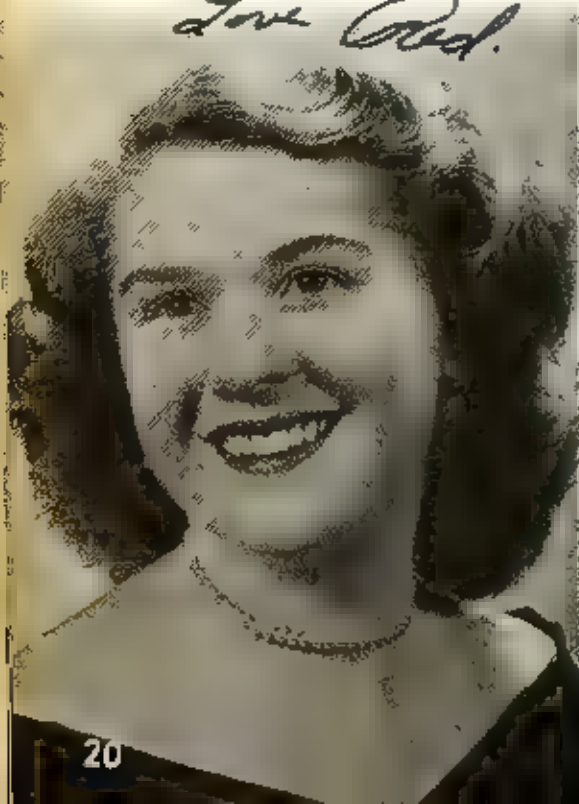
ROSE ANN DIMODUGNO

"ANNIE"

Commercial

GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Secretary 4; Girls' Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; French Club 1; Sports Nite 1; Student Council 3; Announcements 3, 4; Student Council Play 3; June Prom 3; Forum Club 3, 4; Thalian Society 4; Drill Team 4; Soiree 4; SPECTATOR.

"A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance."



Sandra.  
Best of high tea  
sweet girl.  
Love Red.



DOLORES DI NUZZO

"DODO"

Commercial

Homeroom Representative 2, 3, 4; Forum Club 3, 4.

"Speech is great, but silence is greater."

EMMETT DIODATTI

"KOCH"

College Entrance

Latin Club 1, 2, Vice President 2; Sophomore-Senior Party 2; Forum Club 3, 4; Intramural Basketball 3, 4.

"Born with the gift of laughter and a sense that the world is mad."



CARL DISONELL

"CARL"

Commercial

JOAN DONLON

"JOAN"

Commercial

ANN DONOVAN

"ANNIE"

College Entrance

Latin Club 1, 2; Girls' Sports 2, 3, 4; Sophomore-Senior Party 2; GAA 3, 4; Art Club 4.

"Beauty lies in many eyes."

ADELAIDE DORR

"ADDEY"

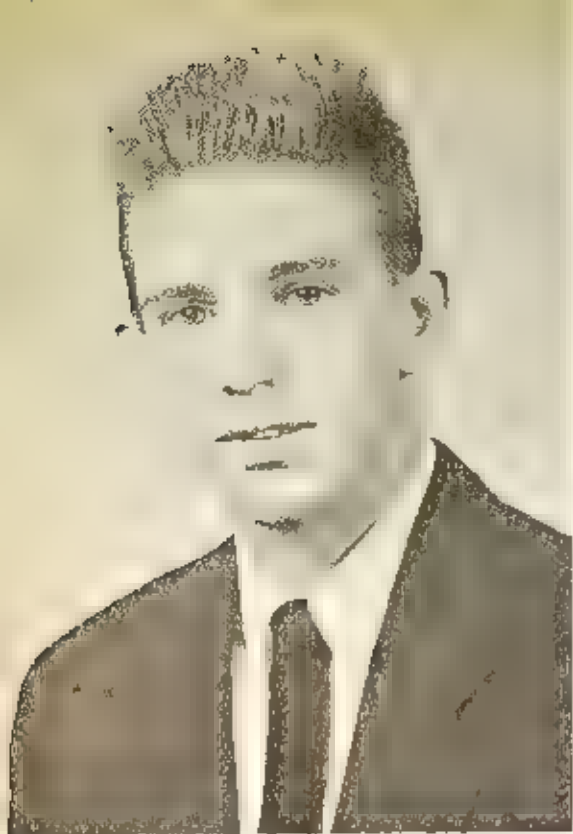
College Entrance

Troy High 1; German Club 2, 3; June Prom 3; Junior Class Reporter 3; Homeroom Representative 3; GAA 4; Forum Club 3, 4; Drill Team 4; Girls' Sports 4; Thalian 4; Garnet and Gray 4; SPECTATOR 4; Assembly 3, 4.

"A smiling, dark-haired beauty."







LYNN DUGAN

"MICKEY MOUSE"

General

Soccer 2, 3, 4, Co-Captain 4; Varsity Basketball 3, 4.  
"Oh, mischief, thou art swift to enter in the thoughts of man."

CATHERINE ESPOSITO

"KAY"

Commercial

GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Sports Nite 1; Girls' Sports 1, 2, 3, 4;  
Bowling Club 1, 2; Assembly 2; Thalian Society 4.

"A friendly heart may open closed doors"

PALL ESPOSITO

"ESPO"

General

JV Basketball 1, 2; Intramurals 1, 2; Varsity Basketball 3, 4; Soccer 3, 4.

"Men of few words are the best of men."

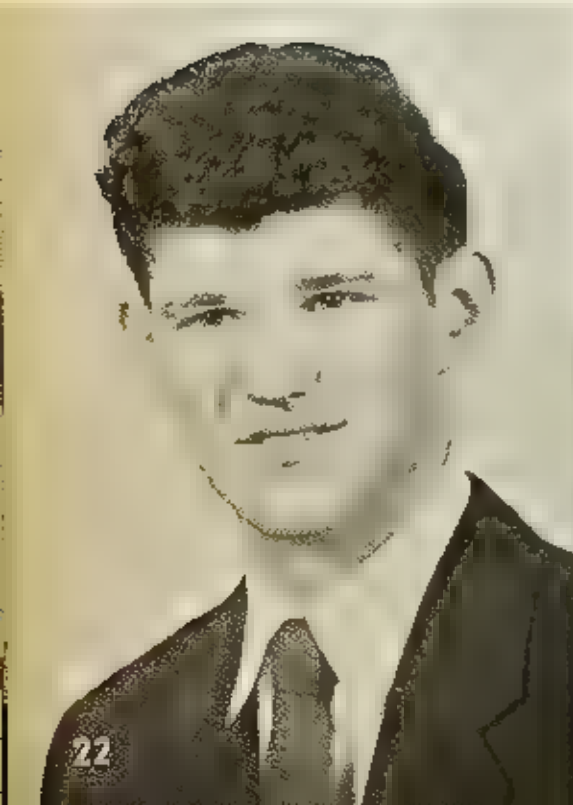
JAMES EWING

"ZEKE"

College Entrance

Latin Club 2, 3; Forum Club 3, 4; Forum Club Vice President 4; HR Rep. 4; SPECTATOR.

"Knowledge is proud that he has learned so much."



*Sandra*

*Best of Always  
Suck to a Real Pat*

RAYMOND FAVATA

"RAY"

Commercial

PATRICIA FEARY

"PAT"

Commercial

Knickerbocker Junior High 1; Bowling Club 2; Girls' Sports 2, 3, 4; GAA 3, 4; Camera Club 4.

"Full of fun and a swell gal."



THELMA FELLOWS

"THELMA"

Commercial

Spring Concert 2.

"She has a heart with room for every joy."

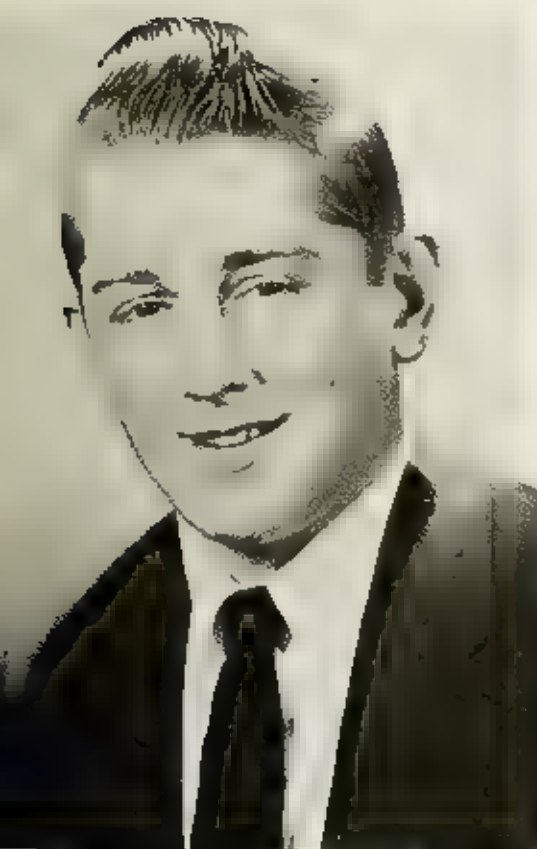
VICKI FISKE

"VIC"

College Entrance

Spanish Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Sports Night 1, 2; Majorettes 2, 3, 4; GAA 2, 4; Spring Concert 2, 3, 4; Forum Club 3, 4; Forum Club Officer 4; Camera Club 3, 4; June Prom 3; Student Council Play 3; Thalian 4; Senior Play 4; SPECTATOR 4.

"What she does is usually right."



NICHOLAS FITZGERALD

"FITZ"

Academic

Varsity Football 2, 3, 4

"He is always light of heart"

RICHARD FOGLIA

"DOGFOOD"

College Entrance

Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Intramural Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Sophomore-Senior Party 2; Assembly 2, 3, 4; Vice President 3; Spanish Club 3; Forum Club 3, 4; Senior Play 4.

"Well known not only as an athlete, but as a real sport."

ANTHONY GALLO

"TONY"

College Entrance

La Salle 1, 2; Intramurals 3; Football 4; Assembly 4.

"A merry heart that goes all the day."

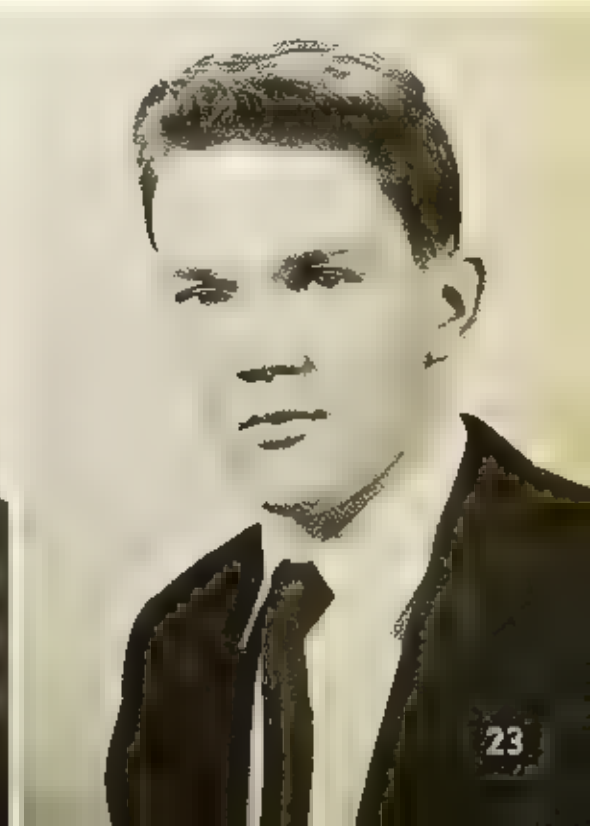
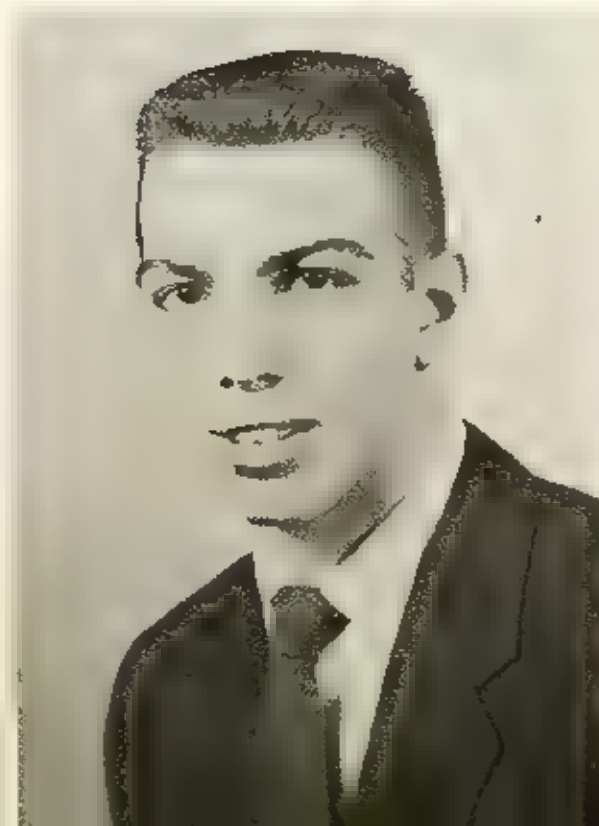
RICHARD GARDINER

"MOOSE"

College Entrance

Homeroom Representative 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club President 4; Camera Club 2; Sophomore-Senior Party 2; Soccer 3, 4; Forum Club 3, 4; Student Council 3; Junior Prom 3; Garnet and Gray 4; SPECTATOR 4.

"He's amiable, good natured, with an eye for mischief."







ANGELA GATTO

"ANGE"

Commercial

CCHS 1; Latin Club 2; Art Club 4.

"She moves like a goddess and looks like a queen."

KATHRYN GOTT

"KATHY"

Commercial

Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4; Sophomore-Senior Party 2; Thalian 3, 4; Thalian Soiree 4; June Prom 3.

"A nicer smile was never seen,  
A better friend was never known."

*Sandy,  
Best of luck & happiness  
is your future years  
at U. of T. Have  
fun! Kathy*

BARBARA GRANGER

"BARB"

Commercial

Sports Nite 1; French Club 1, 2; Spring Concert 2;  
June Prom Court 3; Thalian Society 4; GAA 4; HR  
Rep. 4; Gym Demonstration 4; SPECTATOR 4.

"A bright-eyed beauty with the leprechaun look."

ELINOR GREGOIRE

"ELINOR"

College Entrance

Cohoos High 1, 2; Forum Club 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4

"Speech is great but silence is greater."



*Best of luck  
to a cottage!*

*Sandy*



SANDRA GRIFFIN

"SANDY"

Commercial

Assembly 1.

"Happiness rates high in her heart."

MARY ANN GRILLO

"MAR"

Commercial

Sports Nite 1; Girls' Sports 2; HR Rep. 3; Thalian  
Society 4.

"Short 'n' sweet with a perpetual smile."



ROBERT GROBECKER

General

Football 1; Soccer 3.

"Silence conceals great thought."

"RED LEVY"

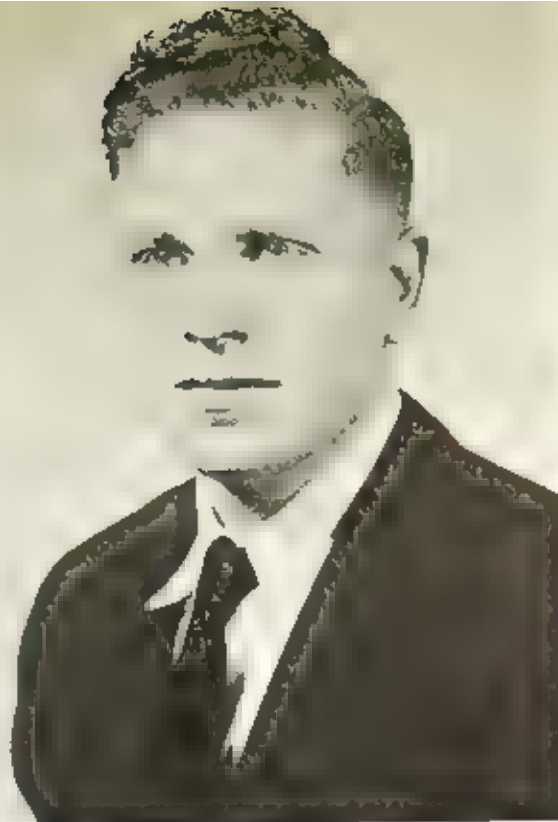
JEANNE GUSBERTI

Commercial

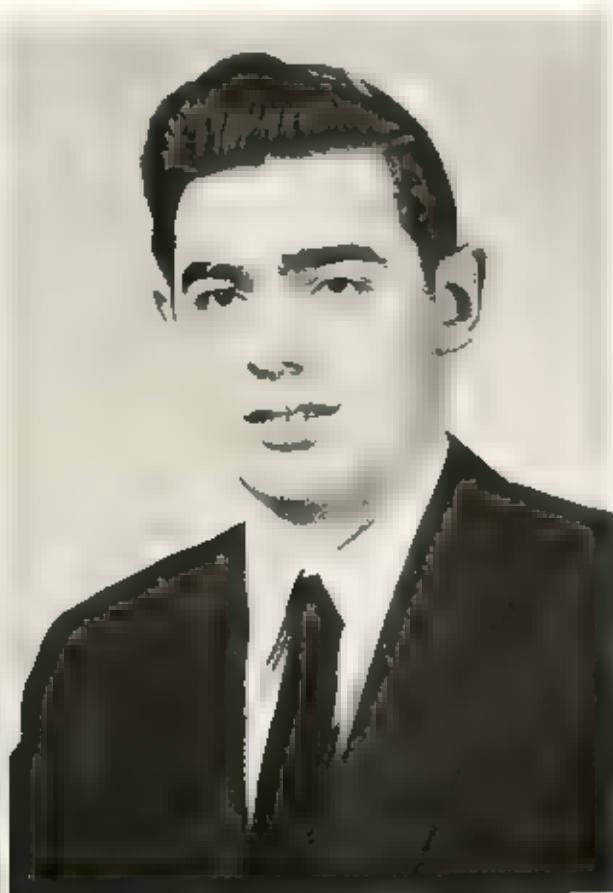
Sports Nite 1; GAA 1, 2, 3; Choral 1; Girls' Sports 2.

"She isn't noisy, loud, or gay;  
She enjoys her life in a quiet way."

"GUSSIE"



*Best luck to you,  
dandy, in your  
future years at  
W. H. S.  
Annie*



ADRIANNE HANCHETT

Commercial

Girls' Sports 2, 3, 4; Forum Club 3, 4; GAA 3, 4.

"Her smile is the trademark of her happy soul."

"ANNIE"

KENNETH HASKINS

General

Spanish Club 1; Track 1; Intramural 1, 2; Assembly  
2, 3; Baseball 3; Student Council 1

"A good disposition and a friendly attitude toward  
everyone."

"KEN"

JOHN HAYES

General

"JOHN"

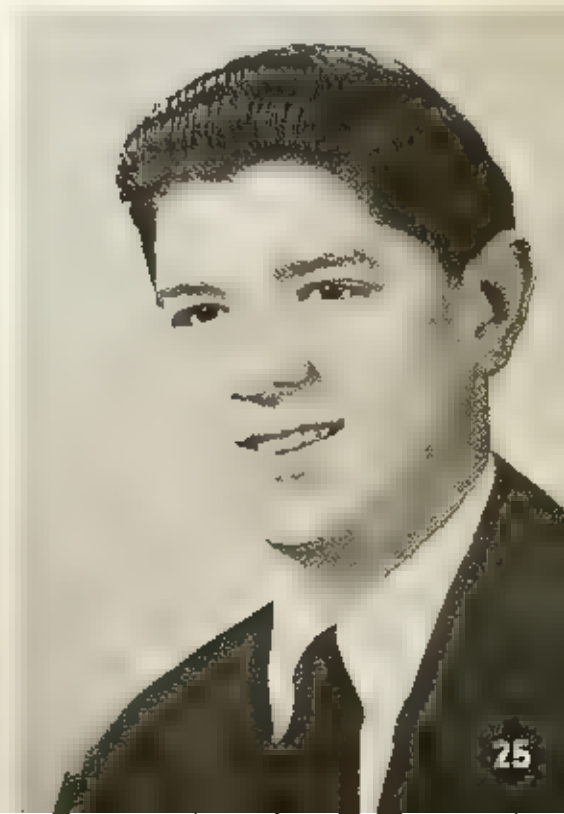
DANIEL HOWANSKY

College Entrance

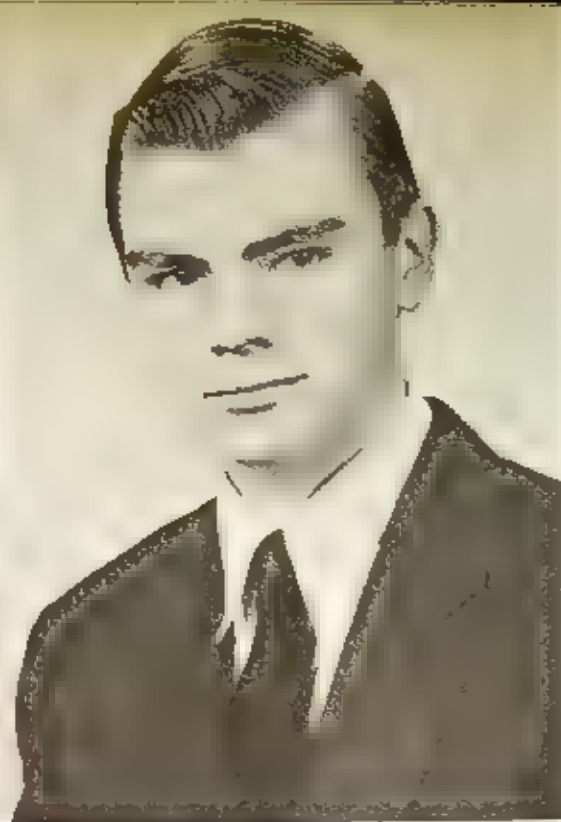
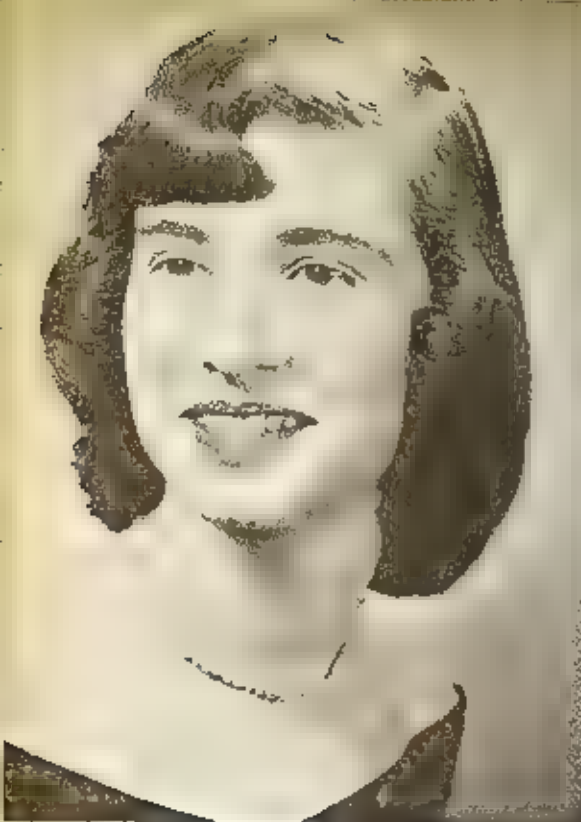
Spanish Club 2, 3.

"Whatever he does is done with much ease;  
In him alone 'tis natural to please."

"DANNY"







FLORENCE HUGHES

"FLIT"

College Entrance

Latin Club 1, 2; Latin Club Officer 2; Student Council 1; Sports Night 1; Class Secretary 2, 3; Thalian 2, 3, 4; Thalian Soiree 2, 3, 4; Sophomore-Senior Party 2; Assembly 2, 3, 4; Announcements 2, 3, 4; JV Cheerleader 3; June Prom 3; Ring Committee 3; Homeroom Representative 3; Forum Club 3, 4; Girls' Sports 3, 4; Varsity Cheerleader 4; SPECTATOR 4.

"Friendly, fun and a true friend to everyone."

ANTHONY JESMAIN

Commercial

EDWARD KEHOE

"TIGER"

General

Student Council 1, 2; Intramurals 1, 2, 3; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4

"Give him women or give him death."

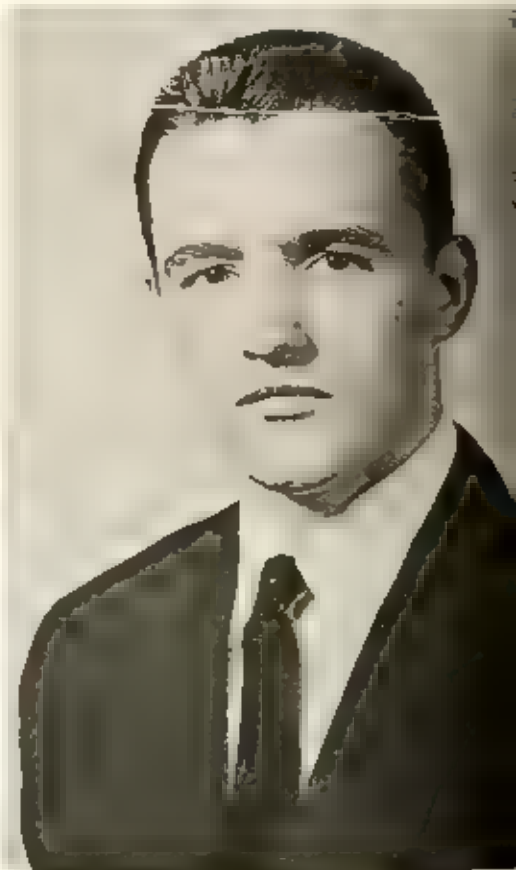
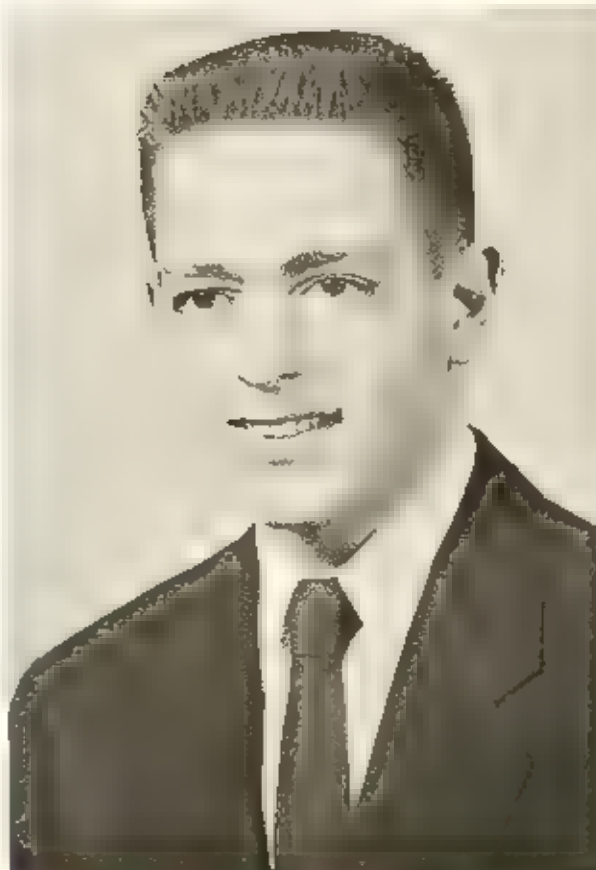
CHARLES KELSEY

"DUKE"

College Entrance

PL JHS 1; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Football 3, 4; Forum Club 3, 4; Intramural Basketball 2, 3, 4; Garner and Gray, SPECTATOR; Junior Play; June Prom; Homeroom Rep 3, 4; Track 3.

"Baseball is his way to fame."



*Sandra! She's best at everything always Alice*



ALICE KEMPISTY

"AI"

Commercial

Sports Night 1; Girls' Sports 1, 2, 3, 4.

"Sparkling and cheerful describes her charming personality."

GEORGE KENNEY

"KEN"

General

"Just one swell guy."



KENNETH KIPPEN

"KIP"

General

Latin Club 1; Intramurals 1, 2; Forum Club 3, 4; Baseball 3, 4; June Prom 3; Senior Play 4; Student Council Play 4; SPECTATOR 4; Assembly 4; Announcements 4.

"Too good to ever be unkind."

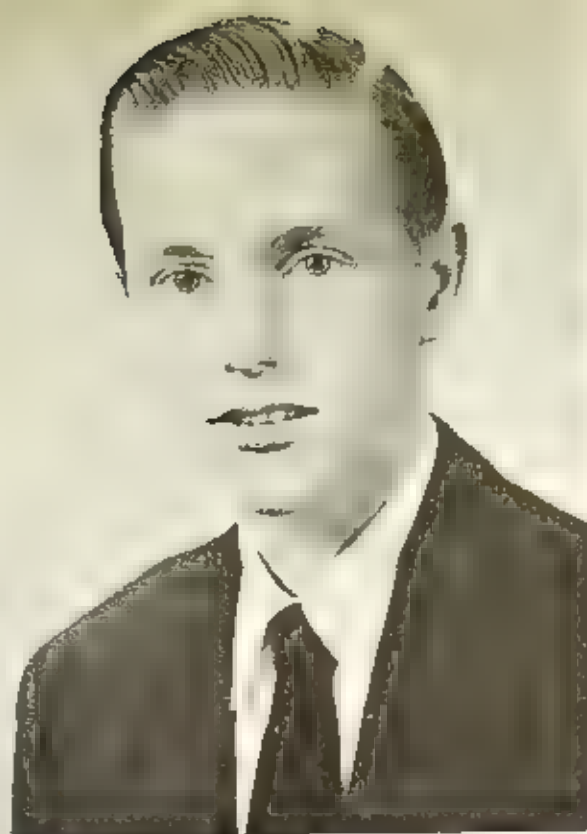
MARY ANN KIRTOGLOU

"MAIR"

Commercial

French Club 1, 2, 3, 4; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Leaders Club 1; Sports Nite 1; Girls' Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Reporter of GAA 3; Student Council 3; Bowling Club 2.

"She makes the troubles of life worthwhile; happy-go-lucky, fair and free."



*Sandie,  
A cute and  
nice girl.  
Have a lot  
of fun in  
"MINGO"  
H. H. S.*

LARRY LANSING

General

Art Club 2, 3, 4

"Speech is silver, silence is golden."

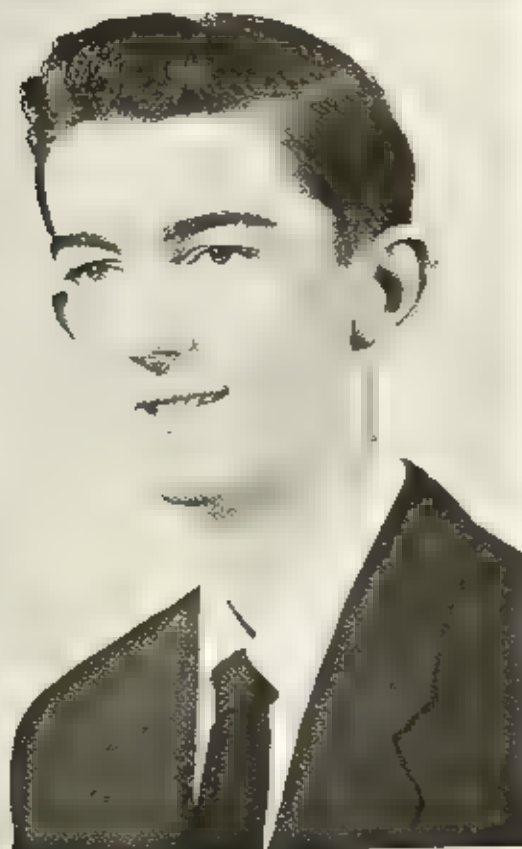
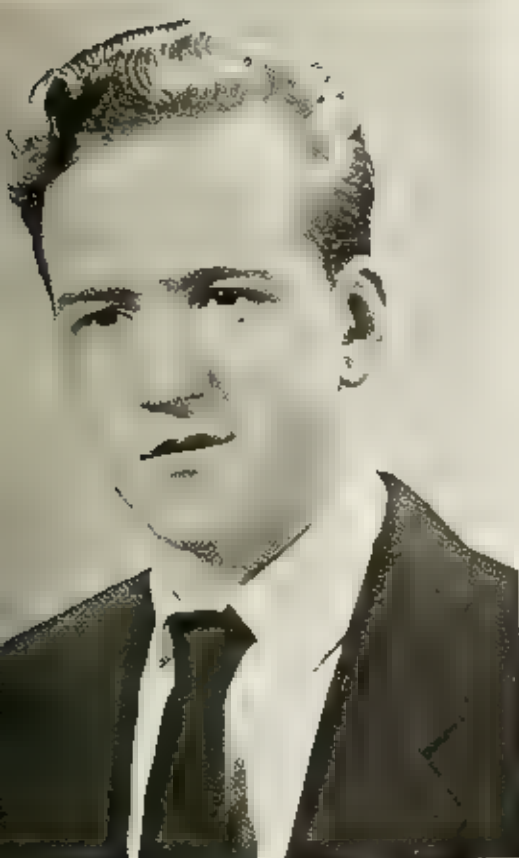
DAVID LEFEVE

College Entrance

Intramural Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; French Club 1, 2; Assembly 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball Manager 1, 2, 4; Track Manager 1, 2; Announcements 1, 2; Sophomore-Senior Party; Camera Club 2; Student Council Play 2, 3; Football Manager 3; June Prom 3; Ring Committee 3; Junior Play; Forum Club 3, 4; President 4; SPECTATOR Staff; Garnet and Gray 4; Senior Play; Senior Ball 4; Junior-Senior Party 4.

"A smile with an intent to do mischief."

*Love,  
Marilyn  
"WORM" Ann*



NANCY LEWANDOWSKI

"NANC"

Commercial

Sports Nite 1; GAA 1, 2; Student Council 1; French Club 1; Treasurer 1; Assembly 1, 2, 3, 4; Announcements 1, 2; Girls' Sports 1, 2; Sophomore-Senior Party; JV Cheerleader 2, 3, Captain 3; Thalian Society 3, 4; Reporter 4; Thalian Soiree 3, 4; Varsity Cheerleader 4; SPECTATOR

"To a young heart, everything is fun."

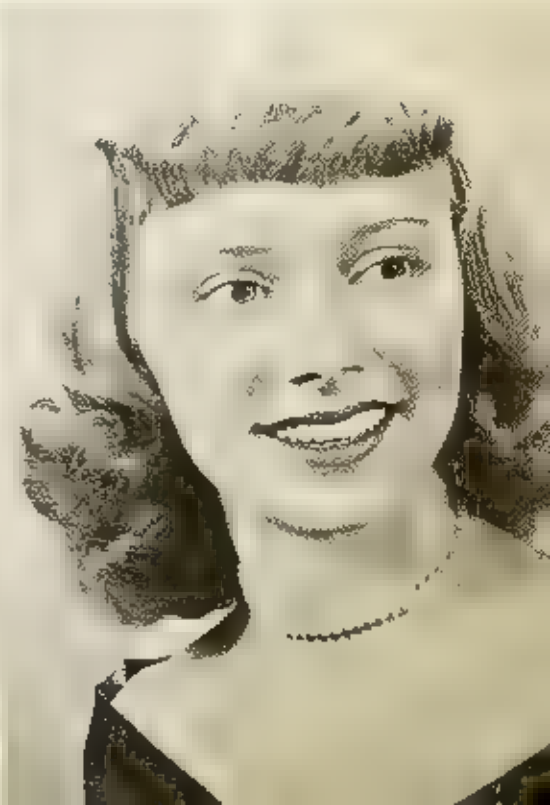
SYLVIA LOBINGER

"SYL"

Commercial

Girls' Sports 1; Sports Nite; Leaders Club 1, 3; Art Club 2, 3, 4; Vice President 3; President 4; Forum Club 3, 4; Treasurer 4; Thalian Society 3, 4; Soiree 3, 4; Student Council Play 3; GAA 3, 4; Drill Team 4; Camera Club 4; SPECTATOR; Garnet and Gray; Announcements 2, 3, 4; Gym Demonstration 4; Senior Ball 4.

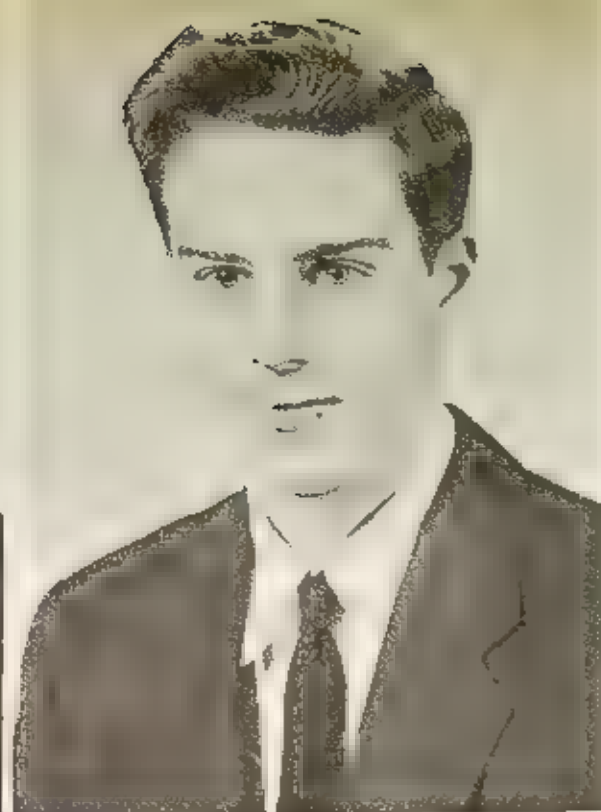
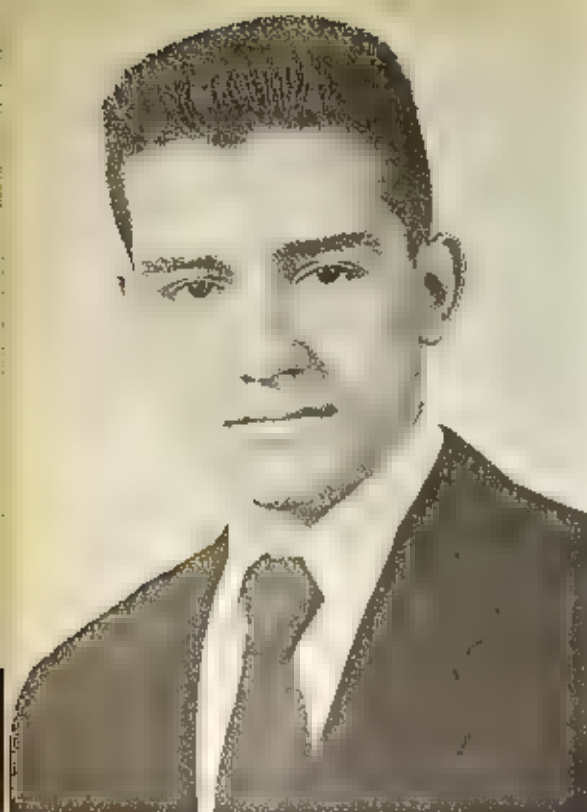
"Her flaxen hair betrays a light heart."



*Fun always*

*Nancy*





ANGELO IOMASCOLO

"ANGE"

College Entrance

Intramurals 1, 2, 3; Sophomore-Senior Party 2; June Prom 3; Senior Play 4.

"Always light of heart."

ROBERT LONG

"LUKE"

College Entrance

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 1, 2; Track 2, Treasurer 3; Spanish Club 3; Forum Club 3, 4; Student Council President 4; June Prom 3; Assembly 4; SPECTATOR

"He pleased many people and made many friends."

JULIANNE MACDONALD

"MAC"

College Entrance

French Club 1, 2; Sports Nite 1; Assembly 1, 2, 3, 4; Sophomore-Senior Party 2; Thalian Society 2, 3, 4; Reporter 3, Vice President 4; Soiree 2, 3, 4; June Prom; Announcements 2, 3, 4; GAA 4; Garnet and Gray; Senior Ball 4; SPECTATOR.

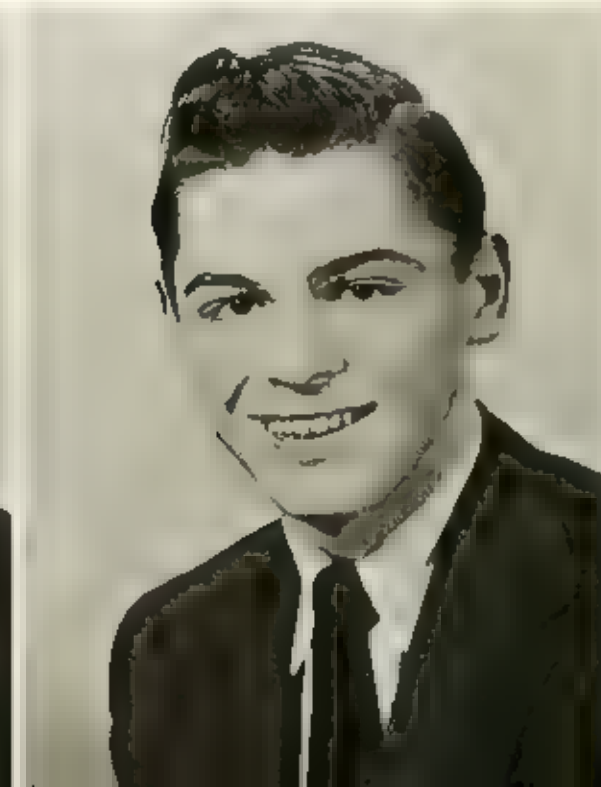
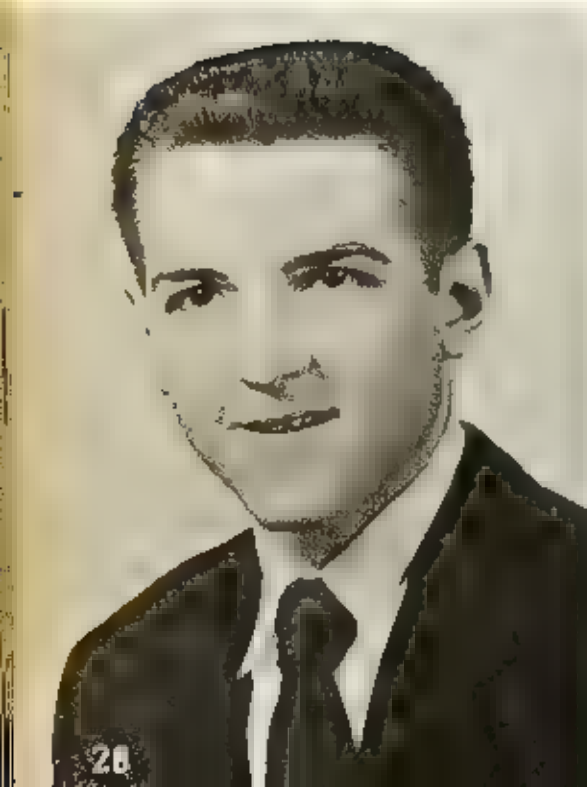
"Sweet and thoughtful with a willing heart."

PATRICIA MANDERVILLE

"PAT"

Commercial

Student Council 3; Thalian Society 3, 4; Thalian Soiree 4  
"A true friend will multiply your joys and divide your sorrows"



DAVID MANEY

"MUFF"

College Entrance

Spanish Club 1, 2, 3, President 2, 3; Junior Intramurals 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3; Class Treasurer 2, President 4; Sophomore-Senior Party 2; Assembly 2, 3, 4; Student Council 2; Baseball 3; Forum Club 3, 4; Ring Committee 3; June Prom 3; Student Council Vice President; Junior Play; SPECTATOR

"Too wise to ever be mistaken,  
Too good to ever be unkind"

GERALD MASTEN

"JERRY"

Commercial

Intramurals 1, 3; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Assembly 1, 2, 3, 4; Concert 1, 2, 3; JV Basketball 2; Football 2, 3

"His only books are women's looks."



CHESTER MAY

"TIPPER"

Commercial

LaSalle 1, 2; Student Council 3; Varsity Basketball 3, 4; Soccer 3, 4

"Tall and handsome, he walks in silent dignity."

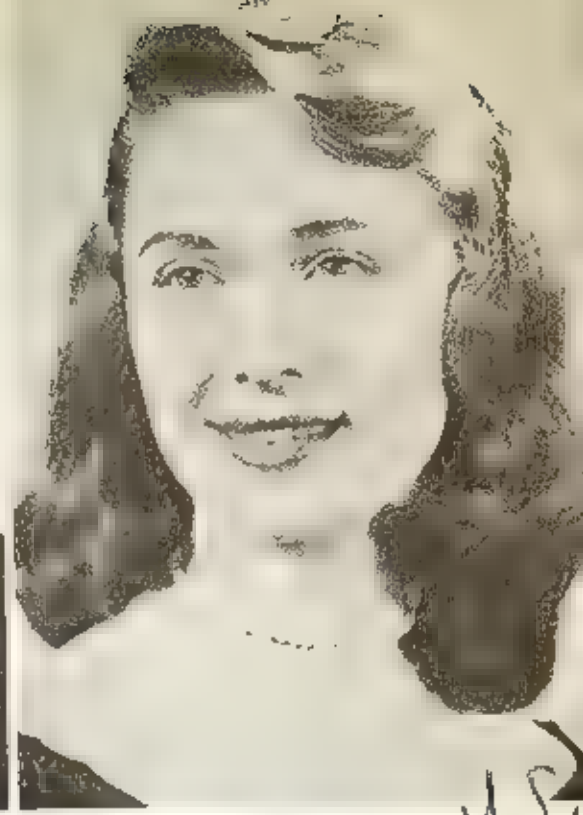
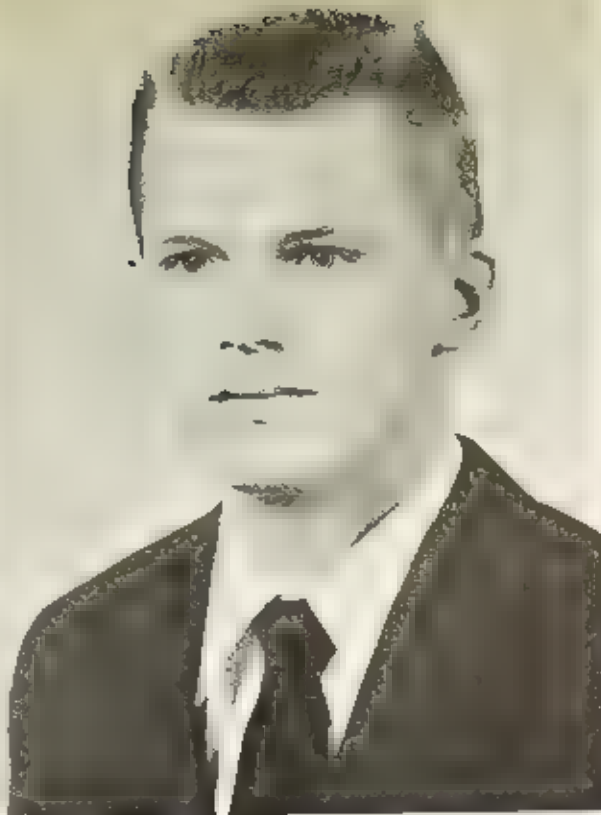
BARBARA MCGOVERN

"HELEN TRENT"

College Entrance

Troy High 1, 2; GAA 3, 4; Forum Club 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; Student Council 3; June Prom 3; Girls' Sports 3, 4; Thalian Society 4; Soiree 4; Drill Team 4; Senior Play 4; Assembly 4; Announcements 4; HR Rep. 4; SPECTATOR

"Her beauty is the only thing time cannot harm."



DORIS MOFFAT

Commercial

French Club 1; Assembly 1; Sports Nite 1; Art Club 3, 4; GAA 4.

"Where hearts are true,  
Few words will do."

JEAN MORRISON

College Entrance

Spanish Club 1, 2, 3, Treasurer 2, Secretary 3; Bowling Club 1, 2; Sports Nite 1; Announcements 1, 2, 3, 4; Thalian Society 2, 3, 4, President 4; Soiree 2, 3, 4; Student Council Play 2, 3, Vice President of Class 2; Assembly 2, 3, 4; Spring Concert 2; Sophomore-Senior Party 2; June Prom 3; Junior Play 3; Girls' Sports 4; SPECTATOR; Senior Ball 4; Junior-Senior Party 4; Senior Play 4.

"She has a natural, wise sincerity."

*Sandra,  
To a real  
sweet gal and with  
a sweet personality  
success and  
such always  
"shorty"*

HELEN NEDDO

"SHORTY"

Commercial

Girls' Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Sports Nite 1

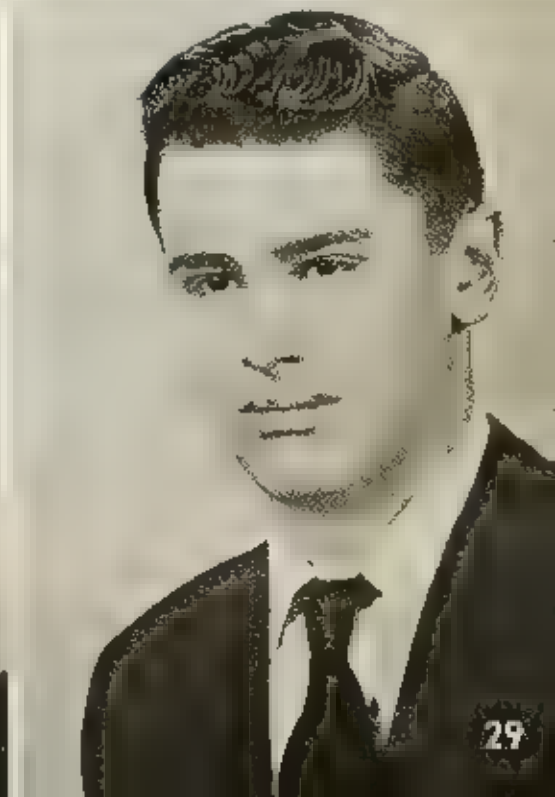
"Small, with sparkling eyes and a sweet smile."

PAUL NIELSON

"PAUL"

General

"Better late than never"







SHIRLEY NORMANDIN

"SHIRL"

Commercial

Cohoes High 1, 2, 3; GAA 4; Camera Club 4.

"She is sweet and nice to everyone."

CAROL O'BRIEN

"CAROL"

Commercial

Bowling Club 1; Sports Nite 1; Forum Club 3, 4; GAA 3, 4; June Prom 3; Thalian Society 4; Soiree 4; Camera Club 4; SPECTATOR Staff 4; Garnet and Gray 4; Senior Play 4; Announcements 4; Assembly 4; Senior Ball 4.

"The girl who never says much is the one who often succeeds."

*Best of luck  
in the coming  
years at H.S.  
- Kathy*

KATHRYN O'DONAHUE

"KATHY"

Commercial

French Club 1, 2, Treasurer 2; Assembly 1, 4; Junior Play 3; Student Council Play 3; Girls' Sports 3; Thalian Society 4; Soiree 4

"Little friends may prove great friends"

NORMA PALMER

"NORMIE"

Spyding High 1, 2, 3, GAA 4

"Not too serious, not too gay,  
A swell friend in anyway."

*Best of  
luck to a  
real swell  
gal Maggie*



MARGARET PAPARIAN

"MAGGIE"

Commercial

SPECTATOR 1, 2, 3, 4, Vice President 4; Leaders Club 1, 2; Girls' Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Sports Night 1; Homeroom Reporter 1; French Club 2; Thalian 2, 3, 4; Senior Play; Announcements 4.

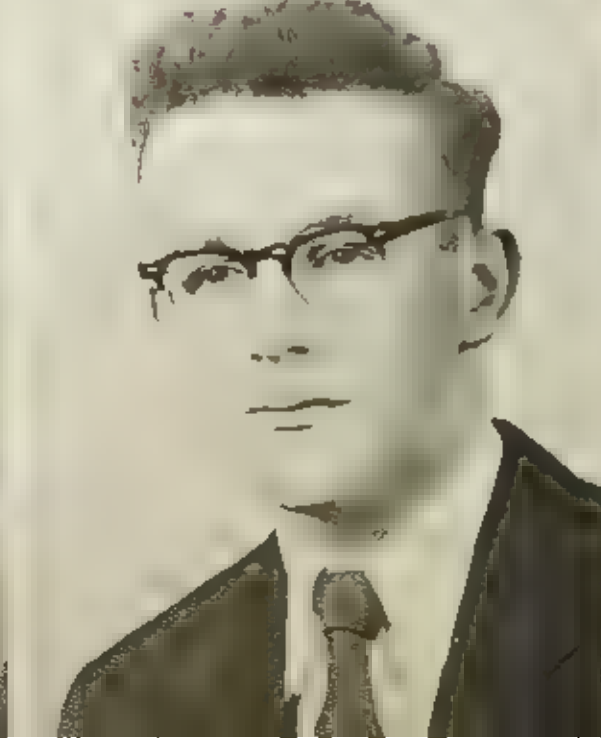
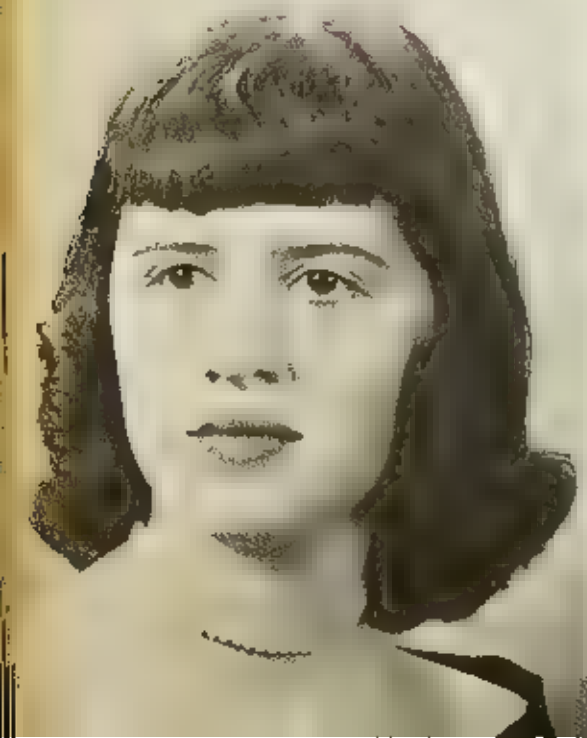
"Merry making and joy are hers;  
Let life go by as 't is"

THOMAS PATTON

"PAT"

General

"Happy and friendly,  
Our Tom is both."





WILLIAM PHILLIPS

"BILL"

College Entrance

JV Basketball 1; Student Council 3, Treasurer 3; French Club 1; Class President 2; Football 3, 4; Varsity Basketball 3, 4.

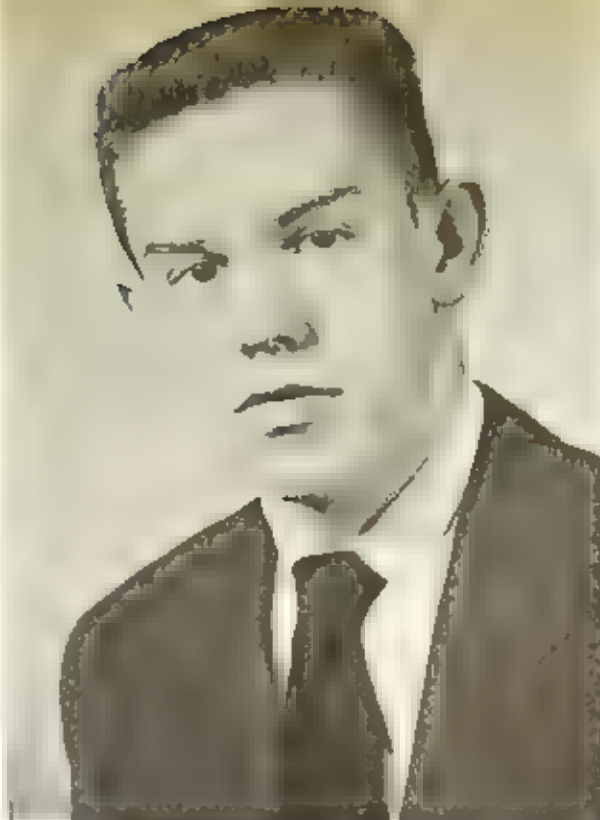
"A happy boy, a cheery smile, a pleasant work, a friend worthwhile."

BRENDA POLIQUIN

"FLUFFY"

Commercial

"A gay, happy girl who will lighten anyone's day."



RICHARD POLIQUIN

"PELICAN"

College Entrance

Latin Club 1, 2, 3, Secretary 3; Forum Club 3, 4; Intramural Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Garnet and Gray; Student Council 3; SPECTATOR.

"Not a sinner, not a saint."

MICHAEL PONTORE

"MIKE"

General

"Men of few words are the best of men."

JOAN POUCHAK

"POOCH"

Girls' Sports 1, 2, 3, 4.

"A gay and happy girl will lighten your day."

JOAN POULIN

"JOANIE"

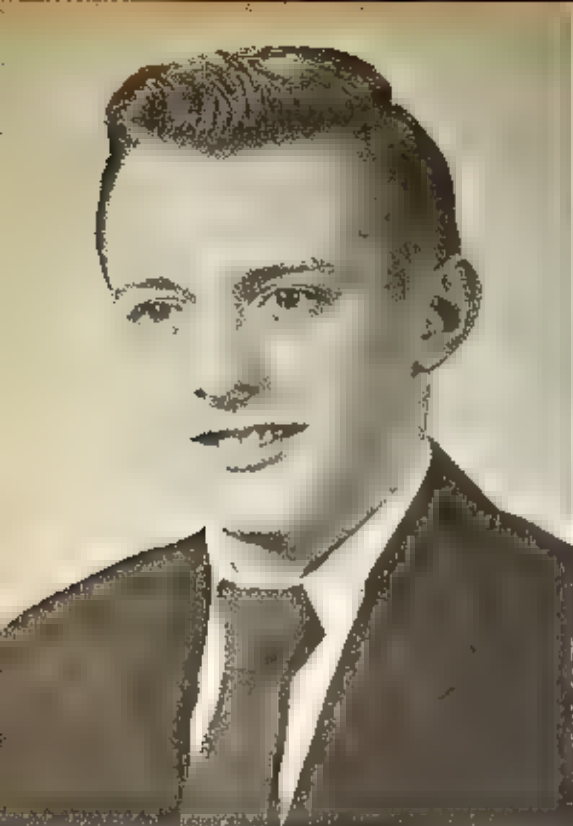
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French Club 1, 2, Vice President 1, Reporter 2; Student Council 1, 2; Sports Nite 1; Assembly 1, 2, 4; Girls' Sports 1, 2; Announcements 1, 2; Sophomore-Senior Party 2; GAA 3, 4; Homeroom Rep. 4.

"Small and full of fun,  
She's a friend to everyone."







ROBERT POULIN

"BOB"

*College Entrance*

LaSalle 1, 2; Track 3, 4; Soccer 4; Intramural Basketball 3, 4; Student Council 4; Class Treasurer 4

"Oh mischief, thou art swift to enter in the thoughts of man."

THOMAS PRATT

"TOM"

*College Entrance*

Spanish Club 1, 2, 3, Vice President 3; Sophomore-Senior Party 2; Junior Play 3; SPECTATOR Editor; Senior Play 4; Forum Club 3, 4.

"Knowledge is proud that he has learned so much."

MICHAEL PRENDERGAST

"MIKE"

*Commercial*

Track 1; Intramural Basketball 1, 2.

"The mildest manner,  
The bravest mind."

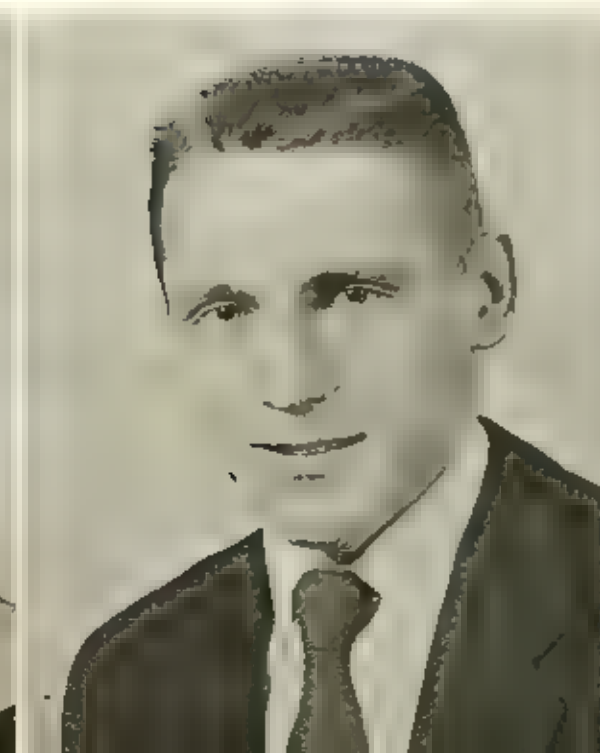
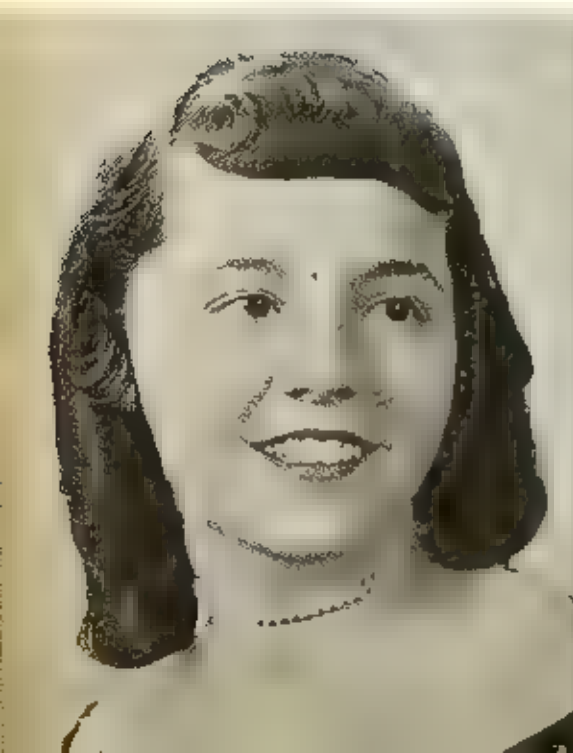
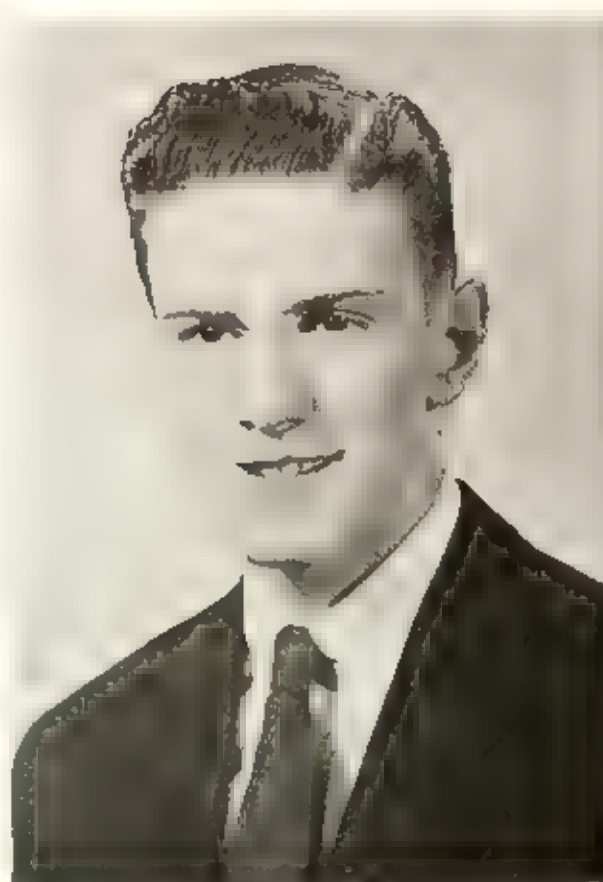
JANICE PRESTON

"BUBBLES"

*General*

Sports Nite 1; Girls' Sports 1, 2, 3; Latin Club 1, 2; Junior Play 3.

"So jolly, so gay,  
In her own stately way."



DOROTHY PROVOST

"DOT"

*Commercial*

Secretary 1; French Club 1, 2, 3, Treasurer 3; Girls' Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Sports' Nite 1; Assembly 1, 2, 3, 4; Sophomore-Senior Party 2; Student Council 2, 4; JV Cheerleader 3; Varsity Cheerleader 4; Thalian Society 3, 4; Soiree 3, 4; June Prom 3; Announcements 3, 4; Garnet and Gray 4; Drill Team 4; GAA 4; Senior Play 4; SPECTATOR.

"Dark hair is the frame for a sweet face."

DONALD QUACKENBUSH

"QUACK"

*College Entrance*

JV Basketball 1; Intramural Basketball 1, 2; Soccer 2; Student Council 2; Golf 2; Sophomore-Senior Party 2; Football 3, 4; Varsity Basketball 3, 4; Garnet and Gray; SPECTATOR

"They love him, they will miss him, they cannot live without him."



PAUL QUINN

*College Entrance*

"A little humor now and then,  
Is relished by the best of men."

"PAUL"

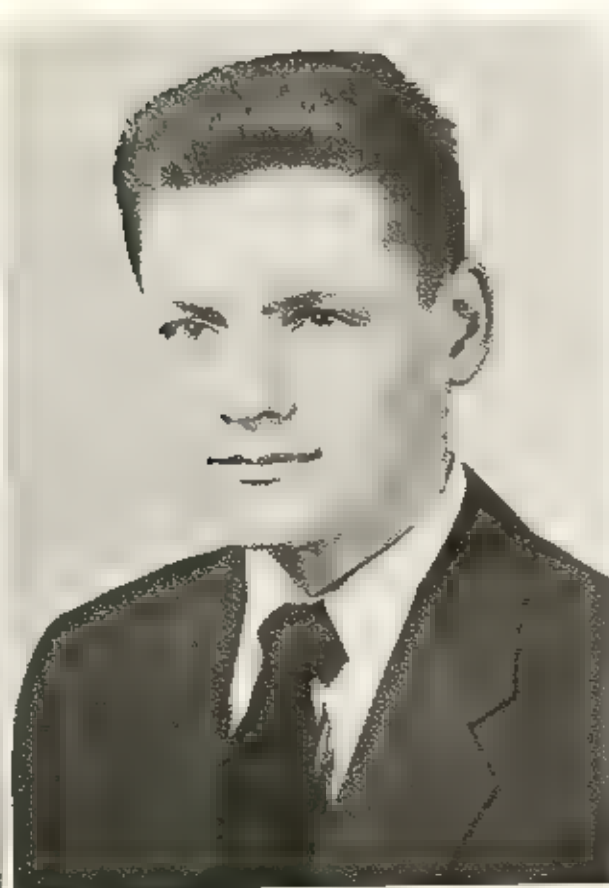
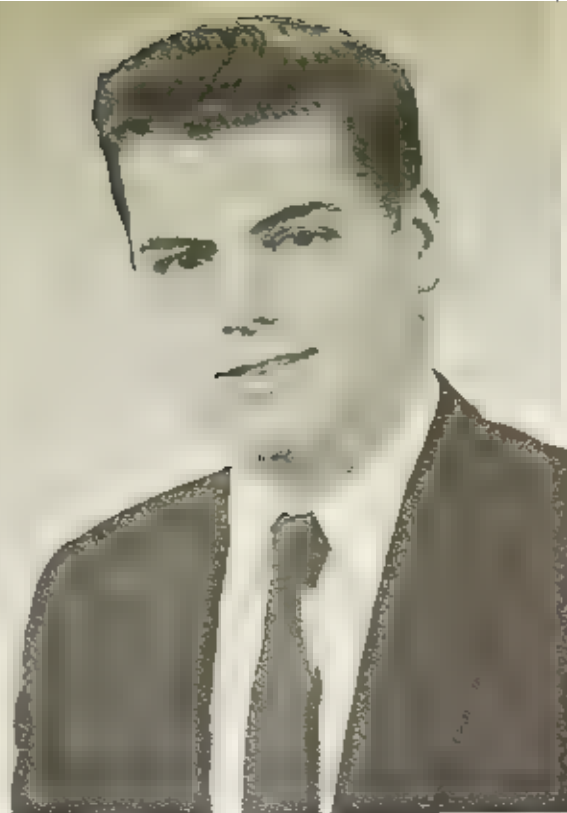
MELBA RAMROTH

*Commercial*

Spanish Club 1, 2; Student Council Play 2; GAA 3;  
Assembly 3, 4; Thalian Society 3, 4.

"A friendly heart may open closed doors."

"MEL"



IRENE RANTANEN

*Commercial*

Girls' Sports 1, 2, 3; Sports Nite 1; Art Club 2, 3, 4;  
Student Council 2; Announcements 2; GAA 3; Sopho-  
more-Senior Party 2.

"She has an appreciation for good humor and a genius  
for getting into trouble."

"GUMDROP"

ALMERON RICHMOND

*College Entrance*

Track 1; Latin Club 1, 2; Football 2, 3; Sophomore-Senior  
Party 2; Student Council Play 3; June Prom 3; Intra-  
mural Basketball 3, 4; Vice President of Class 4; Student  
Council 4; Senior Play 4; SPECTATOR

"Sincere and thoughtful in all he does."

"AL"

DAVID ROBIDEAU

*General*

"He follows his own judgment."

"DAVE"

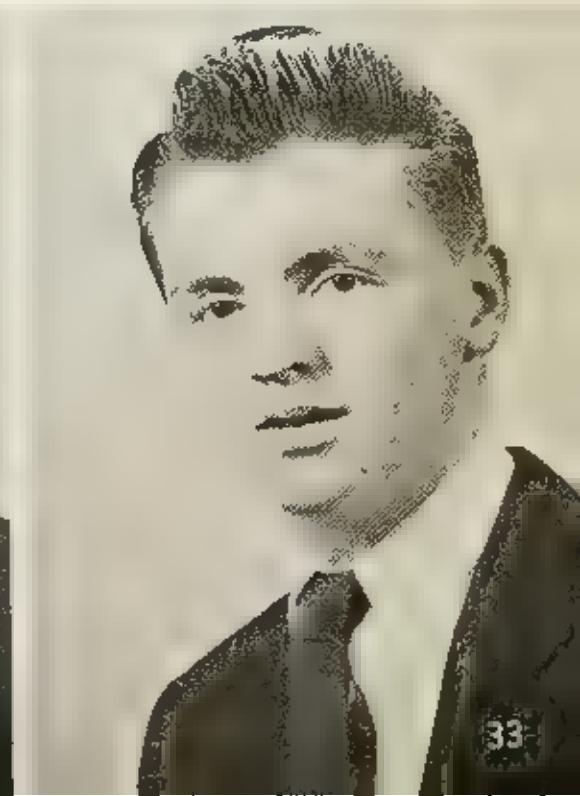
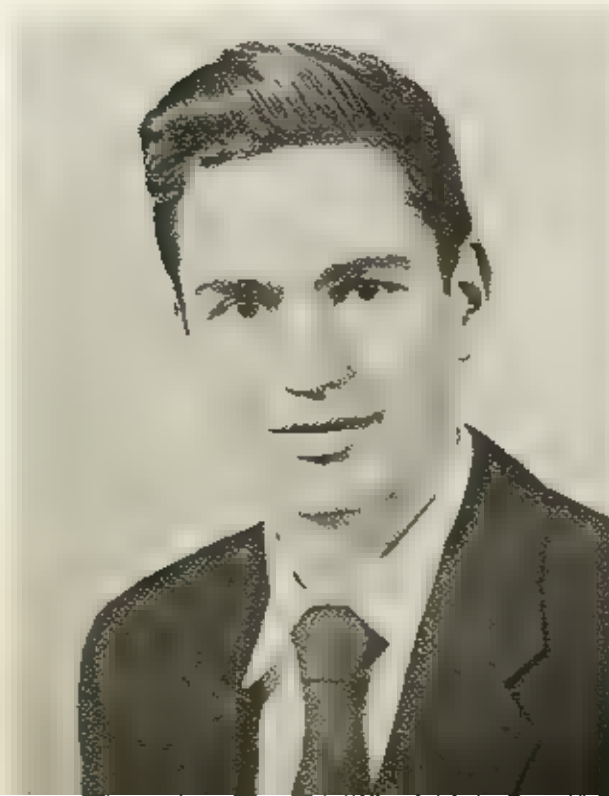
LIONEL ROGERS

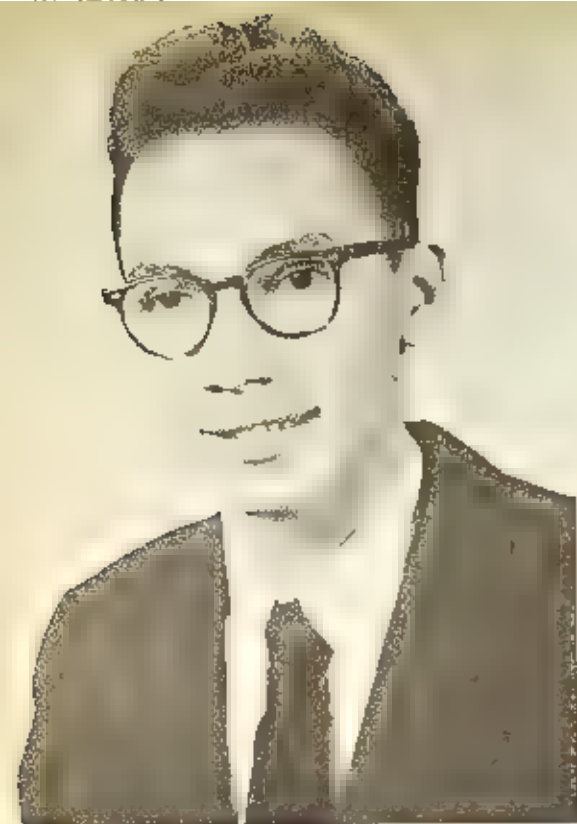
*Commercial*

German Club; Intramural Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football  
2, 3, 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Forum Club 3, 4; Garnet and  
Gray 4; SPECTATOR.

"True to his work, his word, and his friends."

"ROGE"





BARRY ROSS

"BARNEY"

College Entrance

Spanish Club 1, 2, 3; Track 2; Spring Concert 1, 2.

"A jolly spirit, a wonderful guy"

BARBARA ROULLIER

"BARB"

Commercial

Latin Club 1; Camera Club 1; Sports Nite 1, Girls' Sports 1; Sophomore-Senior Party 2; GAA 3; Garnet and Gray 4; SPECTATOR.

"She is sweet with infinite wit."

*Barb everything to me  
a very sweet girl. May you  
be happy & successful.  
Barb*

*Best of luck  
to a sweet girl!  
May all your  
wishes be  
granted!  
E.*

PHYLLIS SALERNOS

"PHYL"

Commercial

Sports Nite 1; Girls' Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Thalian Society 2, 3, 4; Soiree 2, 3, 4; Sophomore-Senior Party 2; Ring Committee 3; June Prom 3; GAA 3, 4; Forum Club 3, 4; Student Council Play 3; Senior Play 4; Garnet and Gray 4; Business Manager 4; Announcements 3, 4; Assembly 4; SPECTATOR; Camera Club 4; Journalism Dance; Senior Ball; Junior-Senior; Junior Homeroom Collector 3; Gym Demonstration 4; Guidance Office 4.

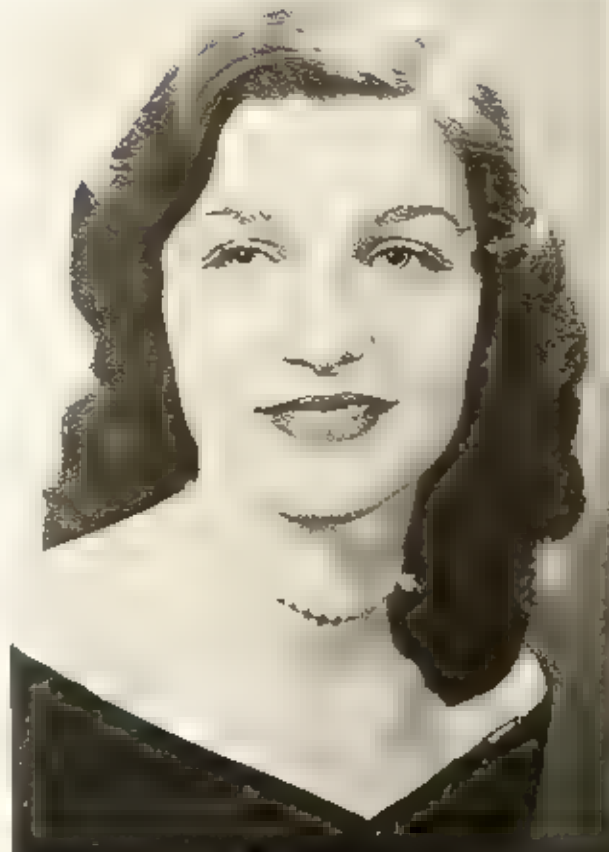
"G'fied with charm and good looks."

ESTHER SCHILLING

"ES"

Leader's Cub 1, 2; German Club 1, 2, 3, President 3; Sports Nite 1; Girls' Sports 1; Forum Club 3, 4; GAA 3; SPECTATOR

"Brains, looks, friendliness—all three, also gifted with personality."



*Spontaneous as spring!  
Dorothy Sokol  
is a very sweet girl.  
I hope you like her.  
Fran*



DOROTHY SOKOL

"DOTTIE"

Commercial

French Club 1, 2; Assembly 1, 4; Sports Nite 1; Sophomore-Senior Party 2; Thalian Society 3, 4; Soiree 4; GAA 3; Girls' Sports 4; SPECTATOR.

"Spontaneous as spring."

FRANCE SQUADERE

"FRAN"

Commercial

Sports Nite 1; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Girls' Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; French Club 2, 3, 4; Bowling Club 3.

"A good match for any filibuster."



LINDA STEWART

College Entrance

French Club 1, 2; Sports Nite 1; Announcements 2;  
Forum Club 3, 4; Reporter of Class 4.

"Tal', graceful, with a smile for everyone."

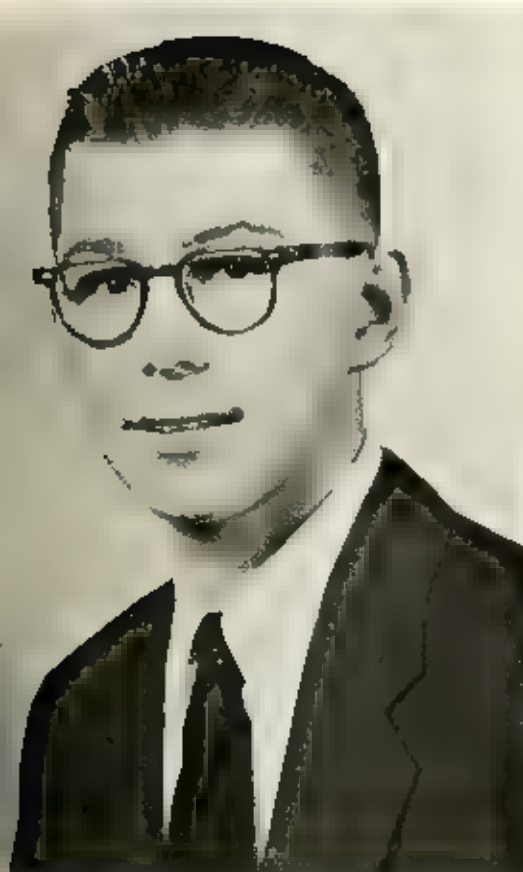
ANN ST. HILAIRE

Heatly High 1, 2, 3.

"The best things come in small packages."

"LIN"

"ANNIE"



RONALD STIDNICK

General

Intramural Basketball 1, 2, 3; Spanish Club 1; Soccer 3;  
Track Manager 4.

"Born with the gift of laughter."

"STID"

THOMAS STODDARD

General

Troy High 1, 2.

"He aims to please."

"TOM"

JOHN SULLIVAN

"Better late than never."

"JOHN"

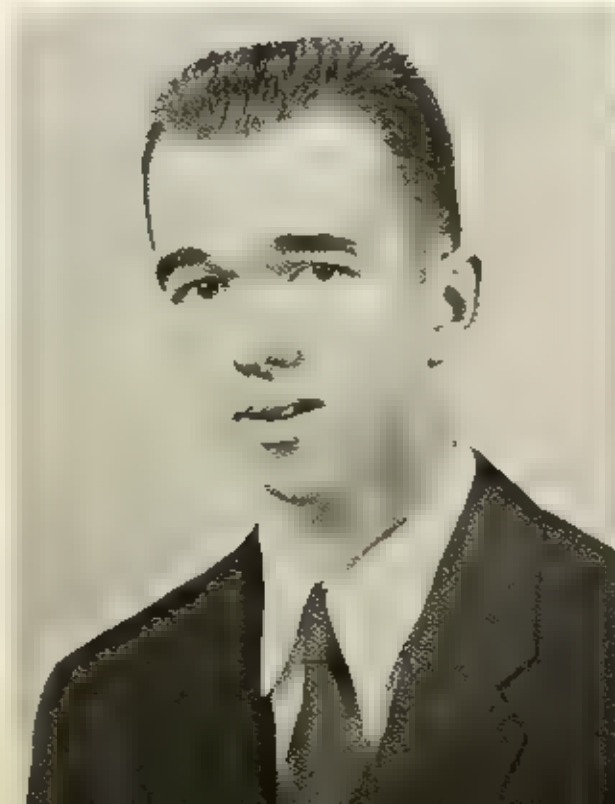
GERALDINE TACELLI

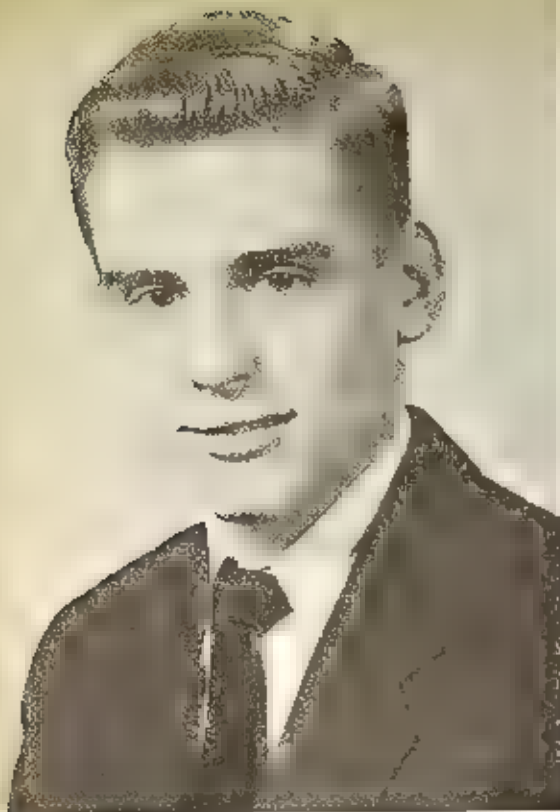
General

CCHS 1, Latin Club 2; Sophomore-Senior Party 2.

"The girl who never says much is the one who often  
succeeds."

"DENI"





LOUIS TETRAULT

"LOUIE"

Commercial

Football 1, 3, 4; Co-Captain 4; Intramural Basketball 1, 2, 3; Class Treasurer 1; Reporter 2; JV Basketball 2; Baseball 2; Sophomore-Senior Party; June Prom 3.

"Nice personality, with a good sense of humor."

JANET A. TRIBLEY

"JAN"

GAA 3; Art Club 4.

"Happiness rates high in her heart"

JANET M. TRIBLEY

"JAN"

French Club 1; Art Club 3, 4.

"To a young heart everything is fun."

CONSTANCE VAN BUREN

"CONNIE"

Spanish Club 1; Bowling Club 1; Sports Nite 1; Girls' Sports 2; GAA 3, 4.

"Her smiles are sweet with certainty."



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*To Sand & have fun at W.H. remember me. So long, Mary*



MARCELLA VAN LEUVEN

"MARCY"

College Entrance

Spanish Club 1, 2, 3; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Sports Nite 1; Bowling Club 1, 2; Girls' Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Leaders Club 2; Senior Ball; Senior Announcements; Senior Play; Sophomore-Senior Party; Assembly 2, 3, 4; Announcements 3, 4; Student Council 2; Student Council Play 3; June Prom 3; JV Cheerleading 2; Captain 2; Varsity 3, 4; Forum Club 3, 4; Ring Committee 3; Drill Team 4; SPECTATOR.

"A sweeter girl never drew a breath than our pal Marcy."

EMILY VAN OLPEN

"SHORTY"

Commercial

Student Council 1; Girls' Sports 2, 4; Spring Concert 1, 2; Thalian Society 2, 3, 4; Art Club 2, 3, 4

"Little friends may prove great friends."



MELINAE VARTANIAN

College Entrance

Latin Club 1, 2; Assembly 2, 3; GAA 3, 4.

"Music is well said to be the speed of the angels."

"MEL"

JUNE WALKER

Commercial

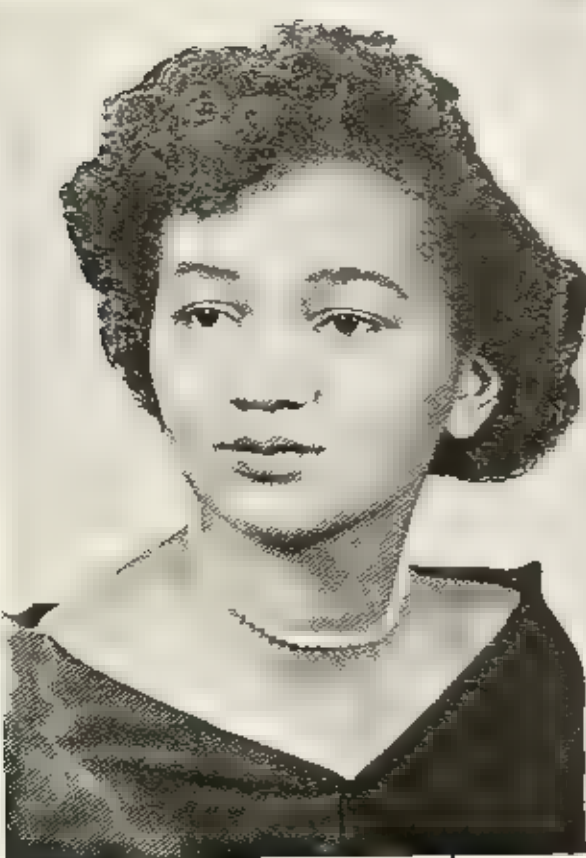
Girls' Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Sports Nite 1; Student Council Play 1, 2, Leaders Club 1, 2, Vice President of Class 1; Secretary 4; JV Cheerleader 2; GAA 2, 3, 4, President 4; Sophomore-Senior Party 2; Thalian 3, 4; June Prom 3; Forum Club 3, 4; Assembly 1, 2, 3, 4; Announcements 3, 4; Junior Play; Drill Team 4; Garnet and Gray 4; Senior Play 4; HR Representative; School Citizen of Year 4; SPECTATOR.

"A truer friend is hard to find,  
Especially one so pretty and kind."

"JUNIE"



*Handwritten note:* I hope to see you in H.S. soon. Love, [Signature]



JOYCE WALTERS

Commercial

French Club 1; Assembly 1, 4; Forum Club 3, 4; Student Council Play 3; Garnet and Gray.

"Very thoughtful, very fair;  
Always ready to do her share."

"MABEL"

VIRGINIA WOOD

General

Sports Nite 2; Girls' Sports 1, 2, 4; Latin Club 1, 2; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4.

"Not too serious, not too gay,  
A swell friend in every way."

"GINNY"

*Handwritten note:* to Sandy, you are a real Best of Luck girl. Always stay as sweet as you are. Love Always + Bye Shirl

SHIRLEY YARBOROUGH

General

Sports Nite 1; Girls' Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 1, 2; GAA 1, 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4.

"A good heart is better than fame."

"SHIRL"

GEORGE BANKS

General

"He gained no title;  
Lost no friend."

"GEORGE"



# Remember?

Remember...that first day? How frightening it all seemed? How small and insignificant you felt? You ran everywhere...thought you must yell to attract attention. Remember how big and important you acted to impress the upper-classmen? It never really worked did it?

You...yes, you...the blond girl...Remember the morning you opened your locker and a tiny freshman boy jumped out? How the pranksters laughed! I shall never forget the look on your face...You certainly were surprised!

Remember Moving Up Day of your Freshman year? They sang "Rock-a-Bye Baby" and "Where, Oh Where are the pea-green Freshmen . . . Safe now in the Sophomore Class."

A gay young Sophomore...not yet an upperclassman...but you bossed the freshmen anyway. You...the brunette there...You won't admit it, but I saw you...in your Sophomore year...You couldn't find 212...were late for Biology...and you laughed at freshmen.

I know you remember the Sophomore-Senior Party. You...the boy with the blond curls...yes, I know you hate them...It was your first date with Her... You were so surprised when she accepted...You shined your shoes twice...got mad when you lost your cufflinks under the dresser...You were on your knees looking for them, when Mom, good old Mom, offered her understanding assistance. Remember how you both blushed when you said to your date, "Gee, you look nice!"

And you...the tall girl...Remember how thrilled you were when that popular Senior asked you to dance? You talked about him all week in school...Some of the girls at your cafeteria table were envious...and you loved it. In fact...you loved life...you were sixteen.

Of course you remember your junior year..."Jolly Juniors" they said...How right they were! Records and movie stars...homework and cokes...class rings and garnet letters...You were hoarse after cheering at our games. 'Phone calls came from your steady. Remember...you the little redhead...One night you tied the line up so long, your Dad said you couldn't have calls for a week...So you went to your girlfriend's and your guy called you there.

June Prom...You...with the Italian Boy haircut...You cried for a new gown...Remember the shine in your Mother's eyes when you were leaving and how proud your Father looked? He forgot the outrageous price he paid for your gown.

That boy there...in the school sweater...You pleaded with your folks for the car...Remember how they each slipped you a five dollar bill and made you promise three times to drive carefully?

Remember this last year? So soon you are a senior...relaxed and reminiscent...roaming the halls...late for class...detention...knee socks and V-neck sweaters...charcoal slacks and dirty bucks...pony tails and crew cuts...A year of dreams...dreams of recent origin...ivy-draped college buildings...brightly lighted offices...white walled hospitals...distant places and marching men...dreams of a new life...and dreams...silent secret dreams of love...and then...an embarrassed laugh and reality is in command once more. A year of indecision and not knowing which way to turn...A year of advice and independence...acceptance and rebellion...You're more mature...and yet you are a child at times...Remember the squirrel skin on a senior girl's shoulder...a piercing scream and a roar of laughter? "Such behavior for seniors!"

Yes...there are moods...one moment bounding to the peak of ecstasy...the next...plunging to the depths of despair...but only for a moment...for now the world is yours and who knows what the future may bring?

Cherish the past and its memories...benefit by the present and its joys...prepare for the future and its unknowns...Yes...remember your yesterdays...learn from today...and live...live well for tomorrow.

Remember? How could you forget?

By JEAN MORRISON  
Class of '56



# Snaps



Up Up and Away



Young at Heart



Get a Car!



Career Girls



The French Line

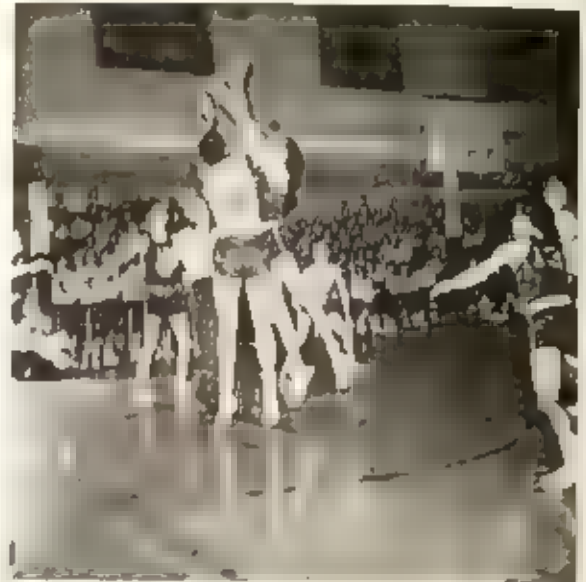


Romeo and Juliet



The Exec

# Game Time





# *Class Songs*

## FRESHMAN CLASS SONG

to be sung to tune of  
"Caissons Go Rolling Along"

Clap your hands, give a shout  
And we'll tell you all about  
The Freshmen of One-Nine-Five-Three  
Some are tall, some are short,  
But we're happy to report,  
We're the finest you ever will see.  
We run down the halls  
And write on all the walls.  
We shout long and loud and merrily.  
And where e'er you go  
You will always know  
We're the Freshmen of One-Nine-Five-Three.

## SOPHOMORE CLASS SONG

to be sung to tune of  
"Cross Over the Bridge"

Now we're a class that's had some fun  
On each and every day,  
And since we've had a happy time,  
We're very glad to say,  
That though our years have quickly passed,  
We have not gone astray  
And we will stay together till we leave  
Commencement Day.  
Now we are Juniors!  
Oh happy day!  
  
We will leave our Sophomore title, to somebody new  
We are proud we've reached our aim,  
We'll bring our school much fame,  
Juniors: We're on our way!

## JUNIOR CLASS SONG

to be sung to tune of  
"Marine's Hymn"

In the halls of good old Watervliet High  
We began our Freshman year  
We arrived in unbecoming green  
And our teeth shook out from fear.  
But we strived for right  
And did no wrong,  
And we kept our honor clear  
So that we could claim the title of  
The Senior Class next year.

Our Class is made of gals and guys  
Who are swell in every way.  
We have worked together  
Three years thru  
And together we shall stay.  
When the problems of next year arise,  
Relax and have no fear  
You will find us always on the job  
In the Senior Class next year.

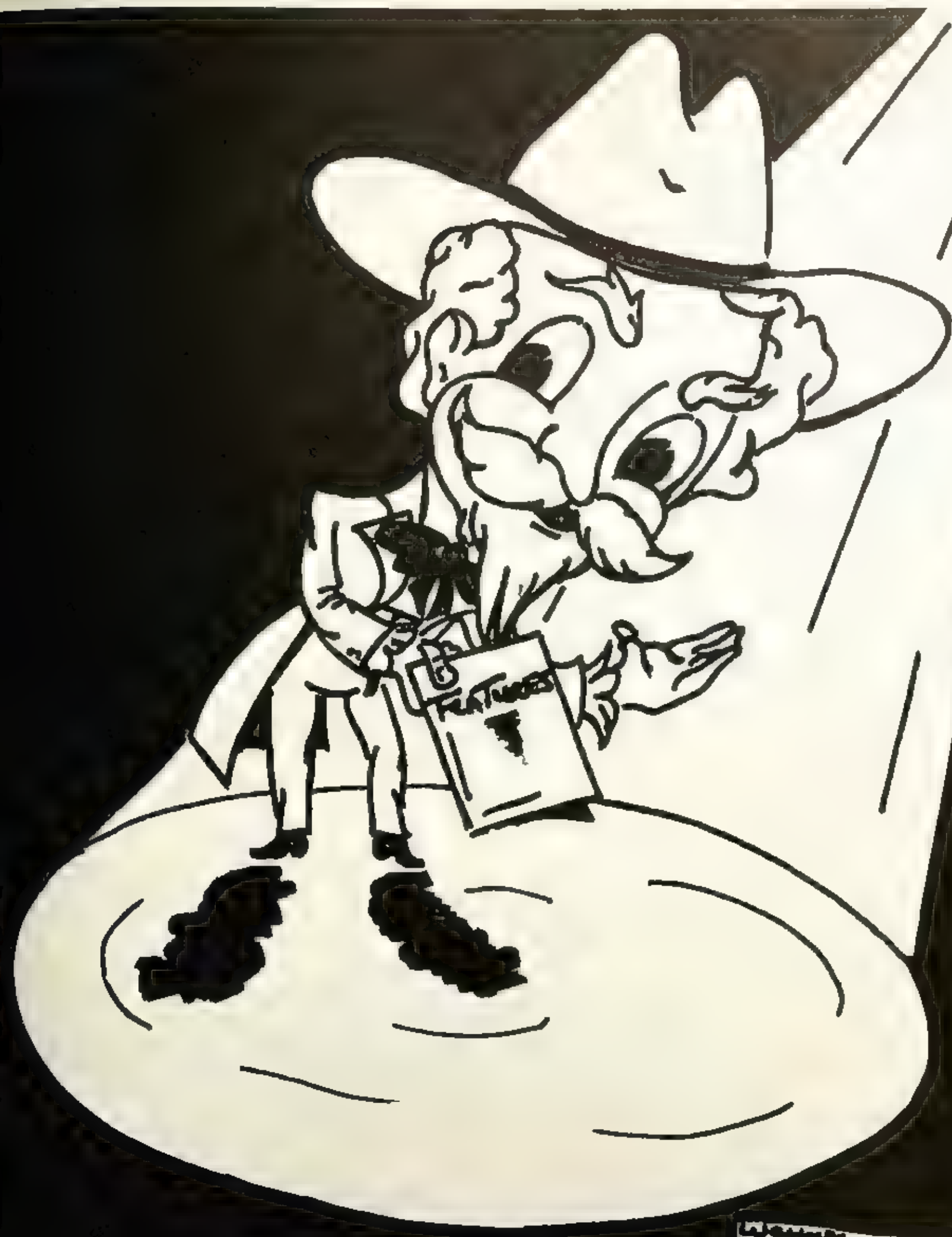
## *Alma Mater*

Where Phil Schuyler and Van Vliet  
Laid in paths which now are streets,  
Where the grim, fine arsenal  
Dares our enemies, makes them quail,  
Where our heritage is grand,  
There we love to take our stand  
Proud to feel at home our feet—  
On soil (on soil) of Watervliet.

Now we realize "Knowledge Power"  
Sisters always, make them ours—  
Now we strive, our footstep turns  
To the source where wisdom burns,  
On that altar we will try  
To honor Watervliet High  
With fellowship, good will and worth  
To prove (to prove) our regal birth.



# Features



Wayne Ambrose

# Class History

The torrential rain that fell on September 3, 1952, succeeded not only in drenching many crisply ironed shirts and dresses but also in dampening the spirits of some one hundred fifty new students of Watervliet High. We, the bedraggled "Peagreeners" nervously entered that awe-inspiring brick edifice and promptly proved ourselves worthy of our newly acquired title. We smiled shyly at those among us who appeared to be suffering similar qualms and hastily joined their several awkward groups. Once among friends, we stared incredulously at certain confident creatures who seemed to know what was going on. (As rumor would have it, they were Seniors.) We were herded into the auditorium where Miss Elizabeth Hanrahan took charge. Under her guidance, the existing groups banded together to form a class referred to as "the lowly Freshmen." We were assigned to our respective homerooms where we met the teachers destined to aid us throughout our four years at W.H.S. They were, Mrs. Aulisi, 101; Miss Fogarty, 201; Mrs. Quinn, 202; Miss Gabriels, 206; Mrs. Hudson, 211; and Mrs. Poole, 213.

Because we newcomers constantly lost our way while running to class, sympathetic upperclassmen recommended the elevator located at the north end of the first floor hall. Shortly after we gave up waiting for this imaginary convenience, we elected our first class officers; President, Richie Wilson; Vice President, June Walker; Secretary, Dottie Provost; and Treasurer, Lou Tetrault. It wasn't long before members of the Class of '56 (that year seemed so distant to us) became important little cogs in the machinery of W.H.S. Rich Foglia showed promise as a football muscle-man and four of our boys, Bill Phillips, Don Quackenbush, Paul Esposito and Tony Romanelli held positions on the J.V. basketball team. Jerry Mastan was an up-and-coming Frosh on the baseball team and Ken Haskins, Mike Prendergast, Ed Kehoe and Rich Foglia represented us on the track.

It was with eager expectations for the future that we sang our first class song on Moving-Up Day.

The next year, 1953, we were truly "gay young Sophomores." However, we did have our serious moments. It was on one of these occasions that we elected Mrs. Aulisi to guide us in future efforts for success. Blue and Gold were chosen as our class colors and Bill Phillips was voted President. To assist Bill were Jean Morrison, Vice President, Flit Hughes, Secretary; Dave Maney, Treasurer; and Lou Tetrault, Reporter.

In November, the Class of '56 experienced a common grief. One of our number, Fay Palmatier, met a sudden tragic death. We were learning that life is not altogether pleasant.

Our first venture into the social world was the Sophomore-Senior Party, the traditional farewell given by the Sophomore Class to the revered Seniors. We were pleased not only with the tremendous success of the party but with our classmates who were gaining recognition for themselves and the Class of '56 in sports, clubs and other activities requiring talent, skill, and leadership. Rich Foglia not only proved important to the track team but established a fine football reputation, also. Lou Tetrault claimed a place on the soccer field and shared the cheers with Paul Esposito in the J.V. basketball games. Not to be outdone, Chuck Kelsey, Lionel Rogers, and Jerry Mastan proved they could really hustle that ball on the diamond. The fairer sex was not without representation. The J.V. cheerleading squad consisted of Marcy VanLeuven, captain, June Walker, Nancy Lewandowski and Evelyn DelSignore.

As we sang our Sophomore Class song, we realized we were truly moving-up for, already, we were upperclassmen.

Our Junior year began with much excitement and great anticipation. Being mindful of our duties as upperclassmen and realizing that this, 1954-55, was to be our biggest year thus far, we elected John Dean to the class presidency. His fellow officers were Rich Foglia, Vice President; Flit Hughes, Secretary; Bob Long, Treasurer; and Adelaide Dorr, Reporter.

According to the custom of Watervliet High, the Junior Class presented the Christmas Play. This production added another success to our lengthening list.

The winner of the campaign between Bob Long and Dave Maney for the highest office of W.H.S., that of President of the Student Council, was determined by so small a margin that Bob, the victor, became President and Dave was awarded the Vice Presidency. As Juniors, it was also our duty to choose another person who would fill an



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important position in our Senior year, the yearbook editor. Realizing the qualifications needed to fulfill the duties of this office, we selected Tom Pratt to head the SPECTATOR staff.

Our class was distinguished in all fields of school activity. Rich Foglia, Chuck Kelsey, Richmond, Bill Phillips, and Don Quackenbush, fought with brain and brawn for our Alma Mater on the gridiron. Bill and Don also numbered among the Varsity basketball players with Paul Esposito, Tipper May, and Lynn Dugan. Chuck Kelsey, Dave Maney, Ken Kippen, Jerry Mastan, and Lionel Rogers displayed their skill and stamina in our baseball games as Paul Esposito, Lynn Dugan as Tipper May did on the soccer field. The efforts of Ed Kehoe, Bill Brown, and Rich Foglia did a great deal toward enabling our track team to achieve success. Nancy Lewandowski, captain, Pat Breen, Flit Hughes, Ginny Bird, and Dottie Provost composed the J.V. cheerleading squad and Evelyn DelSignore and Marcy VanLeuven helped keep up the school and team spirit as Varsity cheerleaders. Rich Foglia was chosen to represent us on the All-City football team, another honor for him and the school.

Our Blue and Gold banner arrived and was promptly displayed in the showcase to be admired by all and beamed upon by proud Juniors. Our class rings also received a warm welcome when they arrived early in June. Feeling even more united by our rings, we exerted every possible effort in preparing for the June Prom, a goodbye gift from the "jolly Juniors" to the "grand old Seniors." This occasion, one of the highlights of every school year, was conducted at the Ten Eyck Hotel. Lovely Ginny Bird was chosen by the class to reign as Queen. The members of her court were Pat Breen, Barbara Granger, Barbara McGovern, Joyce Best, Jean Morrison, and June Walker.

Another year drew quickly and happily to a close. Moving-Up Day brought with it the realization that although three years of activity and accomplishment were complete, our busiest and most important year was yet to come. Our final goal as a class lay at the end of a challenging road of responsibility.

We returned to school in September of our Senior year to discover things were already happening. First of all, we had a new Principal. "Our Pal," Mr. Sanders, had been replaced by the most capable and efficient Miss Elizabeth Hanrahan, who had formerly held the position of Guidance Director. Secondly, the unfortunate members of homeroom 211 found their last year in the little red schoolhouse beginning with a minor catastrophe. They were divided among the four remaining Senior homerooms where sympathetic classmates welcomed them to the fold. Late September brought true sorrow to the entire Senior Class. Our friend, Diane Powell, completed her journey on earth. She attained her Ultimate Goal where she awaits us even now.

Early in '55 we placed our utmost confidence in Dave Maney by selecting him as Senior Class President. His fellow officers were Al Richmond, Vice President; June Walker, Secretary; Bob Poulin, Treasurer; and Linda Stewart, Reporter.

Plans began almost immediately for the Senior Play, JUNIOR MISS. Included in the cast were Ginny Bird, leading lady; Elmer Akots, Priscilla Conover, and Maggie Papanian. With this most successful production we "chalked up" another point in our favor.

Naturally, most of the offices of the school's various organizations were filled by Seniors. However, not all our efforts were confined to inside extra-curricular activities. Our Garnet and Gray football team was largely composed of Seniors. They were Rich Foglia, captain; Lou Tetrault, Ed Kehoe, Don Quackenbush, Frank Barone, Lionel Rogers, and Ray Favata. Rich Foglia made us especially proud of him when he was again selected for the All-City team. Lynn Dugan, Paul Esposito and Tipper May again gave their all to the soccer team thus bringing more acclaim to W.H.S. Our Varsity basketball Cannoneers were Paul Esposito, captain; Bill Phillips, Don Quackenbush, Tipper May, Lynn Dugan, and Johnny Carroll. Evelyn DelSignore captained the Varsity cheerleaders; Marcy VanLeuven, Pat Breen, Flit Hughes, Ginny Bird, and Dottie Provost.

In February of '56, "Prof" Collier became Guidance Director, a promotion which pleased us all. One of our classmates also received a new title. June Walker was chosen the school's Best Citizen by the D.A.R., a high honor.

As these events are recorded, preparations are underway for the Junior-Senior Party which we shall present to the Juniors in the gym on March seventeenth. We are also eagerly awaiting the Senior Ball. This gala affair, our final social function, will be conducted at the Hendrick Hudson Ballroom on April twentieth.

With the last days of June will come our last days in W.H.S. We shall assemble in the auditorium on Class Night and Graduation Day and recall the memories recorded in this, the History of the Class of '56.

# Class Will

As we of the Class of 1956 prepare to make our final exit through the portals where first we entered four years ago, we pause for a moment to reflect upon our yesterdays in Water-viet Hight. Each of us, in our short history here, has gained a certain distinction by which our classmates will remember us. Since these individualities originated in W.H.S., we decided it only fitting to leave them here to be continued by our worthy successors.

Sylvia Lobinger and June Walker agree to share their personalities-plus with Beverly Legenbauer and Anna Hughes.

Phyllis Salernoz bequeaths her ability to quicken the pulses of appreciative males to Irene Cleminshaw.

Al Richmond wills his "hydraulic formula" to any trig student able to decipher it.

Pat Breen and Ginny Bird leave some of the sunshine of their smiles to brighten the halls in the future as they have in the past.

Ken Kippen isn't leaving his driver's license; he may never get another.

Irene Rantanen, Janice Preston and Nan Dean leave the school's record for being late to anyone wishing to challenge it.

Ginny Wood and Shirley Yarborough bestow their unique arrangements of "The Star Spangled Banner" to golden-voiced Isabelle Irish.

John Carro leaves transportation facilities for the girls to Dave Waggon.

Connie Cietek wills her manuscript of "Tall Tales Used in 107" to Ruth Bowen in case Ruth needs a way out.

Sandy Coughlin and Helen Dagen hope to leave their constant use of the double negative behind.

George Kenny passes on his title of "The Quiet Man" to Tom Acott.

Emily Van Open and Joyce Chartrand leave drivers' training for the open highway as those who have seen them behind the wheel head in the opposite direction.

Lou Tetrault wills his friendly and jovial manner to smiling Andy La Valley.

Angela Gatto and Melba Ramroth leave with a sigh of relief, as Jeanne Gusberti and Carol Comprowski exit looking hopefully to the future.

Ann St. Hilaire and Ginny Bowen leave Guptills to hot-rodders Jean Glebocki and Janet Wilis.

Bob Grobecker bestows his shotgun ability upon Ozzie Fitzpatrick.

Joyce Walters and Pat Manderville will their quietness to Sandy Roe and Barbara Campione, two girls who can use it.

Maggie Papanian and Paul Esposito leave us the memory of many hearty laughs. (Let's hope they're still clowning when we meet again.)

Alice Kempisty and Joan Pouchak bestow their all-around nice ways upon Gail Gardiner and Peggy Saimond.

Carl Disonell wills his back seat near the window in 104 to the lucky one who gets there first.

Dolores Di Nuzzo and Kathy Gott are taking along their typing skill to improve the business world.

Tipper May leaves W.H.S. for Scotland. Why? To play soccer, of course.

Vicki Fiske blesses future frog cutter-uppers with a copy of her handbook "Biology Before the Bell."

Tom Patton, Tony Gallo and Ray Favata leave the cafeteria in peace or pieces, as the case may be.

Joyce Best and Dottie Provost will their mouths for gossip to next year's rippers-apart.

Lionel Rogers leaves his many stories to one with an equally wild imagination and flare for exaggeration, Walt Grady.

Doris Moffat bestows her mild manner of speaking upon Junior Mary Ann Bielawa.

John Hayes, Joe Capozzelli, Tony Jesmain, and David Robideau still haven't decided what they can do without, so they're just leaving.

Mary Ann Grillo wills her doll-like appearance to little Diane Hewitt.

Bob Poulin leaves the soccer team without a goalie. Anyone care for Garnet P.J.'s?

Shirley Normandin and Nancy Darmetko will their bulky Pamphlet of gym excuses to Nancy Boyd and Peg Senecal.

Norma Palmer, Frances Traver and Martin Allen, although they just came, now leave W.H.S.

Joan Donlon bestows her ability for constantly being in trouble to innocent little Judy Dagnan.

Frank Barone leaves all his feminine admirers behind to weep for him.

Evelyn DeSignore, Alyce D'Avignon and Ann Donovan pass on their love-by-letter abilities to all girls with such correspondence.

Angelo Lomascolo leaves adorable Judy Duffney with many regrets and a chain around her neck.

Dave Maney and Dave Lefevre will their supply of tricks and tacks to fellow practical jokers.

Bill Phillips leaves with a red face at the recollection of embarrassing moments.

Carol O'Brien wills her pleasant ways to pert and pretty Pat Carl.

Rosella Casolo bequeaths her flirty ways to Carol Mardigan.

Adelaide Dorr leaves her ability??? to clip hair to anyone of Indian ancestry.

Petite Priscilla Conover wills her acting ability to bouncy Barbara Common.

Marlyn Ashley leaves us the memory of the many classes her funny sneezes disrupted.

Paul Nielson wills his Marlon Brando tactics to all up and coming "cats."

Nancy Lewandowski, Joan Poulin and Joan D'Agostino leave Mrs. Walker in peace.

Don Quackenbush wills his flashy sweaters to someone who blushes as easily, Dick Rollick.



# Class Will

Linda Stewart, Adrienne HanChett and Cathy O'Donahoe render their resignation from the sewing circle of 104.

Larry Lansing wills his Barboa and pegged pants to Bob Kelsey.

Fran Squadere and Barbara Roullier will their tiny stature to Judy Hart and Mary Jo Donlon.

Pat Feary bequeaths her ability to imitate teachers to a Junior with a great sense of humor, Gail Thorns.

Lynn Dugan, Sonny Smith and Harry McBain leave their soccer skill to Stan Toma, Lloyd Edwards and Paul Volk.

Key Esposito wills her loquacious manner to Mo Sullivan who can always find a lot to say.

Tom Stoddard and Joe Bak have finally consented to leave some of their good looks behind for the sake of the hearts of American women

Deni Tacelli wills her ice skating ability to anyone who likes the cold, clear ice.

Robert Eaton, John Darmetko, Richard Budka and Nick Fitzgerald aren't at all sorry to be leaving, but sentimental Rose Ann Di-Modugno wishes she could stay another year.

Nathalie Call and Marion Deuel will their red hair to all poor souls who use Red Touch.

Shirley "Speedy" Battisti and Connie "Hot Rod" VanBuren leave Prof Aulisi a few gray hairs for which he's thankful.

Bill Brown has decided that he had better stay to keep his eye on Dawn.

Marcy VanLeuven wills her self confidence and poise to Julie Mokay who has a lot already

George Banks, Mike Pontore, John Deneker and Mike Prendergast leave a cloud of dust as they swiftly depart.

Eddie Kehoe, our football giant, wills his title of "Mr. Touch-down" to next year's headliner.

Mary Ann Kirtoglow departs from us to befriend those she meets in the future as she has in the past.

Thelma Fellows is leaving all her troubles.

John Sullivan and Ken Haskins will their seats on the school bus to Eddie Bielawa and Phil Carolous.

Dick Gardiner leaves W.H.S. in want of someone with as much school spirit.

Flit Hughes and Jim DeSignore will their top priority at Ann's to future steady occupants

Paul Quinn leaves his secret admirers behind to long for his baby face.

With all the service they have given the school, Jean Morrison and Bob Long leave many duties for two future Seniors.

Barry Ross wills last place in cafeteria line to someone without an appetite.

Barb McGovern leaves Spanish with no regrets.

Dick Foglia and Chuck Kelsey, our gridiron heroes, will their muscles to Dick Terrill and Don Romano.

Elinor Gregoire and Esther Schilling bequeath their brains and books to Mary Jane Howe and Joan Rentz.

Warren Bomboy won't leave unless he can have the baby blue Buick as a going away gift, while Bob Clark, Dan Howansky and Ronald Stidnick can't wait to be free

Blessed with a gift of wit, Brenda Poliquin leaves a good impression upon all.

Jim Butler and Bob Avery bequeath their platter knowledge to all hep D.J.'s

Melinae Vartanian and Bob Chiplock will their musical talents to Mary Densmore and Bob May.

Our intellectuals John Cohen, Jim Ewing and Elmer Akots leave us to embark upon their shining futures.

Model Barbara Ashcroft can't leave her lovely hair—she'd look pretty funny without it

Tom Pratt ends his SPECTATOR duties with the satisfaction of a job well done.

Julianne MacDonald wills her ample supply of gossip to Chris Assini to improve upon.

Wayne Ambrose takes along his big feet but leaves the pieces of many things he's broken.

Carole Collier leaves her sincerity and amiable ways to smiling Lee Condon.

Barb Granger leaves W.H.S. but hopes to stay with Tipper.

Helen Neddo bestows her athletic ability to another football enthusiast, Carol Gregware.

Sandra Griffin leaves bookkeeping for good.

Janet A. Tribley wills her motorcycle to anyone with that mania while Janet M. Tribley leaves a more quiet gift, her smile.

Dick Poliquin and Emmett Diodati exit with their usual humor—our wise cracks.

Jerry Mastan leaves Mrs. Cross without a crooner for future talent shows.

Dottie Sokol wills her curiosity to Barbara Guy, who also enjoys the latest goings on.

Our future mortician, Art Bowen, leaves us with his cheery promise, "I'll be the last to let you down."

Because we wish to leave our tired teachers a clear conscience, we hereby express our forgiveness for their outrageous punishments and countless, ill-timed assignments.

We leave our beloved homerooms and the stuffy SPECTATOR room echoing with our laughter and a fond goodbye.

Among the treasures we cannot leave behind are the memories we'll cherish of our little red schoolhouse on the hill.

THE WATERVLiet NEWS SOCIETY SECTION  
June 28, 1966

Last night, the Class of 1956 of Watervliet High School held its first reunion since the members of that group went their separate ways into the world. Many distinguished personalities were present. Class President Dave Maney, now president of Modern Movies Corporation, acted as Master of Ceremonies. Those who accompanied Mr. Maney in his private plane to Watervliet were Paul Quinn, pilot; screen queen, Barbara McGovern; Paul Nielson, recently discovered "double" for Marlon Brando; dashing movie idol, Frank Barone and film fashion designer, Doris Moffat. Seated around Mr. Maney at the guest table were the class officers. Al Richmond, Vice President, was kept busy throughout the evening autographing copies of his ponderous dictionary, "Originable Wurds." June Walker, Class Secretary, is now head of a New York model agency. Several of her loveliest models were also her classmates. Those present were Phyllis Salernos, Mary Ann Grillo, Kathy O'Donahoe, and Joan D'Agostino. Mr. Robert Poulin, who received his start as Class Treasurer, now owns the Fourth City Bank of Troy. As the evening progressed, Mr. Poulin was surrounded by five classmates who confessed to be still in search of their first million; Tom Stoddard, John Sullivan, Tom Patton, George Kenny, and Nick Fitzgerald. They were referred to Kenneth Haskins whose fortune makes that of Andrew Carnegie seem naught but a weekly allowance. Class Reporter Miss Linda Stewart is no longer a Miss. After serving humanity for several years as a nurse, she joined the ranks of happily married '56 graduates. Women in this category are those formerly known as Dot Sokol, Ann St. Hilaire, Emily VanOlpen, Rosella Casola and Joyce Chartrand.

As the reunited friends talked over old times, one incident seemed particularly humorous. Nancy Darmetko and Sandy Griffin, telephone operators, recalled the time they had been chatting about their days at W.H.S. and turned the switchboard into a tangled mass of wires. Result? They actually had Nixon talking to Truman!

It was surprising to observe how many celebrities were produced by the Class of '56. In attendance was General Elmer Akots, the first American ever to become a Six Star General. Joan Donlon, recent winner of the P.U. Litzler Prize for Modern Art, displayed her original painting. Named "The Good Old Days," it pictures Connie VanBuren, Norma Palmer, and Shirley Normandin standing in front of Ann's. That business is now owned by Flit Hughes who has become quite wealthy from nickel cokes bought daily by present-day Watervliet High students. Famous jet pilot, Dave Robideau, and his accompanying stewardesses, Janet A. Tribley and Ginny Bird, are other prominent personalities who attended. En route to the reunion they had made frequent stops for certain classmates whose occupations have carried them to distant places. They were joined in Paris by Bob Clark, a tourist guide in that romantic city. In Texas, Richard Budka, owner of half the Lone Star State, boarded the plane. Next stop was Chicago where Tony Jesmain, reporter for the City Chronicle, joined the party. Tony plans to write a "Big Story" about the reunion. One final stop at Fort Dix added Carl Disonell, W.A.C. Recruiting Sergeant, to the crowd.

As the class members circulated among their old friends discussing their various vocations, it became evident that the class on the whole and as individuals, had met with success. Joe Capozzelli and Mike Prendergast are accounting experts for the Sword Motor Company and Bob Grobecker is chief executive at Bear Manning. Mr. Grobecker's private secretary is Janet M. Tribley. Mary Ann Kirtoglow was chosen "Miss Personality" by her business associates and Shirley Battisti and Pat Breen were listed among "America's Best-Dressed Women." Joyce Walters is a successful novelist, Barry Ross is the world's most respected authority on English literature and Tony Gallo is America's champion stock car racer. It is a known fact that Deni Tacelli became the world's figure skating champion at the Olympics this year. Also present in Olympic contests was Lynn Dugan, star soccer player. Members of the class outstanding in sports today are George Brown and Lionel Rogers, professional gridiron heroes, and Don Quackenbush, Mr. Basketball, U.S.A. Paul Esposito still holds the world's record for the most points in one game, however. The newly erected Football Hall of Fame contains bronze statues of class members, Rich Foglia, Bill Phillips, and Ed Kehoe. Chuck Kelsey, fighting Yankee manager, is honored in the original Baseball Hall of Fame.

Success cannot be measured simply by fame or fortune. There are many '56 graduates who are extremely successful in domestic affairs. Melba Ramroth, Virginia Bowen, Marion Deuel, Alyce D'Avignon and Joan Poulin were among the women who left their household duties to their husbands so they could attend the reunion. Girls of the class are also represented in the business world. Connie Cietek owns half of Montgomery Ward and is presently considering purchasing the remaining stocks. Adelaide Dorr is chief toupee designer for Wiggins Wig, Inc. which is operated jointly by Joan Pouchack and Carol Comprowski. Rose Ann DiModugno is now secretary to the owner of the million dollar enterprise, Deratzian Studios where Alice Kempisty is employed as outfit consultant for



model Barbara Ashcroft. Sylvia Lobinger and Vicki Fiske are laboratory technicians who still delight in scissoring juicy specimens for the sake of science. Barbara Roullier and Dottie Provost, as a result of their experience on the Garnet and Gray staff in W.H.S., are columnists for America's top magazine, "Most." (Editor of this publication is Dick Gardiner, another member of the Class of '56.) Girls who completed the Commercial course in 1956 have proven very successful. Kay Esposito and Helen Dagen are partners in a private business concern. They employ several of their classmates. Nancy Lewandowski is Personnel Manager, Priscilla Conover and Pat Manderville are department heads, and Dolores DiNuzzo, Katy Gott, Carol O'Brien, Thelma Fellows and Jeanne Gusberti compose the office force.

The Class of '56 is well represented in the field of education. Esther Schilling is a Commerce teacher; Joyce Best and Helen Neddo teach gymnastics at C.B.A.; Carole Collier and Marcy Van Leuven are Spanish and Physics instructors, respectively, at Albany State; Julianne MacDonald teaches Home Ec at her Alma Mater and Jean Morrison is a local speech therapist. Marlyn Ashley and Ann Hanchett operate a veterinary hospital where Dave Lefevre is head physician. When these people lose a patient, they call mortician Art Bowen just as everyone else in the area does. The hospital is located just north of Howansky Acres, the gigantic farm owned by Dan Howansky, Class of '56.

Gentlemen present who suffered through difficult math and science subjects in W.H.S. were heard to say, "It really takes a head to get ahead." Tom Pratt designed the gold plated Escalators which carry fortunate students up and down the hill to Watervliet High. Tom thought of everything. The "down" Escalator just won't run for bored Seniors endeavoring to butt sixth period and go to Ann's. Angelo Lomascolo is another scientific genius. He has manufactured a machine which, for a small fee, does "times work" for study hall occupants who misbehave. Bob Avery and Jim Butler have revised Trig textbooks to make them more interesting. They accomplished this seemingly impossible task by placing illustrations of movie starlets Barbara Bombshell and Chilly North on every other page.

Some of the women who used to talk about their boyfriends in their senior year had a different topic last evening: babysitters' wages. Involved in this conversation were Nan Dean, Janice Preston, Irene Rantanen, Elinor Gregoire, Evelyn DelSignore, and Ann Donovan. A certain group of their classmates; Martin Allen, Harry McBain, John Hayes, Warren Bomboy, and John Deneker, who profess carefree bachelorhood, greatly enjoyed this conversation.

At approximately ten o'clock, the Master of Ceremonies called for attention. Awards were presented to two married couples who went steady ten years ago back in Watervliet High. Mrs. Lou Tetrault (formerly Sandy Coughlin) and Mrs. Tipper May (Barb Granger) graciously and triumphantly accepted the rolling pins. Prizes were presented also to couples having the most children. Dick Poliquin, baffled father of three sets of twin girls, received a sympathy card and a diaper pail. His twin sister, Brenda, proud mother of three sets of twin boys, was presented a congratulations card and a year's supply of soap. Following the awards, Mr. Maney read a letter from Senators John Cohen and James Ewing who expressed their regret over being unable to attend. They stated that it should be expected, however, since politics has always managed to mess things up.

The evening's entertainment was furnished by members of the class. Included in the program were Melinae Vartanian, celebrated concert pianist; Natalie Call and Larry Lansing, Watervliet's answer to Vera Ellen and Fred Astaire, Shirley Yarborough and Ginny Wood, recording artists for R.C.A.; Jim DelSignore, local disc jockey; those crazy comics, George Banks and Ronald Stidnick the Martin and Lewis of our time; Jerry Mastan, TV's top tenor; John Carrol and Ken Kippen, successors to Groucho Marx and George Gobel; Maggie Papanian and Fran Squadere, another riotous comedy team; Pat Feary, Big Time Circus Funny Lady, and Bob Chiplock, America's great jazz pianist. Although Wayne Ambrose and Emmett Diodati were no part of the formal entertainment, they provided many a hearty laugh just as they did in high school. If a debonair gentleman who makes the heart of unmarried women rejoice is considered entertainment, Joe Bak was a main performer.

The dinner, from shrimp cocktail to cashews, was donated by Restaurateur Ray Favata and prepared by Chef Mike Pontore. Music for dining and dancing was provided by Bob Long and his "After Graduation Five."

As the evening's festivities drew to a close, it was generally decided that there had been few classes so successful as the Class of '56. And so, to the familiar strains of "Should Old Acquaintance Be Forgotten," the classmates bade one another a fond farewell.

# Personality Page

Name	Pet Peeve	Pastime	Counterpart
Akots, Elmer	women drivers	sleeping	Bismark
Allen, Martin	school	work and football	Popeye
Ambrose, Wayne	soccer players	Wishing Well	Bob Hope
Ashcroft, Barbara	Bookie	Butch	Tallulah Bankhead
Asn ey, Mar'lyn	boys who hit me	horses	Jean Harlow
Avery, Robert	weekend assignments	Hi Fi records	Fulton Fish the Fourth
Bak, Joseph	110	Balboa	Lex Barker
Banks, George	Dodger Fans	baseball	Willie Sutton
Barone, Frank	wise girls	girls	Casanova
Battist', Sh rley	Uncle Sam's Army	writing to Bob	Madame Butterfly
Best, Joyce	catty girls	Ann's	My Friend Irma
B'rd, Virginia	wise guys	cheerleading	Shirley Temple
Bomboy, Warren			Bomba the Jungle Boy
Bowen, Arthur	Yankees	music	D'gger O'Del
Bowen, Virginia	hypocrites	thinking of Bill	Jean Peters
Breen, Patricia	Worm	Bill	Imogene Coca
Brown, George	Worm	Dawn	Sweetwater Clifton
Budka, Richard	Yankee Fans	work	Vittorio Gassman
Butler, James	prevaricators	Carol Collier	Paul Flannagon
Cali, Nathal e	know it alls	movies	Marge Champion
Cappozelli, Joseph	Dodger Fans	sports	Litt e Black Sambo
Carroll, John	work	sleep	The Phantom
Casola, Rosello	snobs	Paul	Ciel Chapman
Chartrand, Joyce	waiting	John	Susie Q.
Ch'plock, Robert	big wheels	sports	Liberace
C'etek, Constance	jealous girls	working at Monkey's	Eve Arden
Clark, Robert	Langford	sleeping	Frankenstein
Cohen, John	studying	fishing	Einstein
Collier, Carol	two-faced people	W.H.S.	Thelma Ritter
Conover, Pr'scilla	Mary	Jim	Ethel Barrymore
Coughlin, Sandra	conceited girls	Louie	Louella Parsons
D'Agostino, Joan	waiting for Moe	Siena and Moe	Greta Garbo
Dagen, He en	conceited people	writing to service men	Judy Price
Darmentko, John			Snuffy Smith
Darmentko, Nancy	Gossips	records	Ma Perkins
D'Avignon, Alyce	Phyllis R.	writing to Walt	Eva Gardiner
Dean, John	know it alls	Marcy	Cyrano
Dean, Nan	conceited freshmen	Ray's	Anne Southern
Del Signore, Evelyn	arguing	writing to Ed	Babe Zaharias
Deuel, Marion	study hall	Bill	Rhonda Fleming
Diodatti, Emmett			Alley Oop
Di Modugno, Rose Anne	John Mardigan	girls' sports	Tugboat Annie
Di Nuzzo, Delores	my alarm clock	Luigi's	Tessie the Typist
Disonell, Carl	Hot Dogs	girls	Fearless Fosdick
Donovan, Anne	underclassmen	writing to Jack	Wonder Woman
Dorr, Adelaide	waiting	parties	Eartha Kitt
Dugan, Lynn	detectives	Albany	Terror of Highway 101
Esposito, Catherine	conceited people	eating	Billie Burke
Esposito, Paul	big wheels	movies	Goofie



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Ewing, James	irksome people	girls	Pierre Curie
Favata, Raymond	206	Booze	Dagwood
Feary, Patricia	assembly	rnovies	Ma Kettle
Fellows, Thelma	wheels	writing letters	Bette Davis
Fiske, Vicki	two-faced people	Bill	Helen Trent
Fitzgerald, Nicholas	school	football	Chef Boy Ardee
Foglia, Richard	school	football	Jim Thorpe
Gailo, Anthony	Copo	Margie	Hoosier Hotshot
Gardiner, Richard	people who don't like football	hunting	Santa Claus
Gatto, Angelo	school	Johny	Cyd Charisse
Gott, Kathryn	catty girls	heading	Loretta Young
Granger, Barbara	conceited people	Tipper	Sherri North
Gregoire, Elinor	too much homework	Tom	Emily Post
Griffin, Sandra	wise guys	Butch	Liz Taylor
Grillo, Mary Anne	conceited people	writing letters to Harry	Anne Baxter
Grobecker, Robert	school	hanging around	Frank Buck
Gusberti, Joan Anne	big wheels	Dick	Lauren Bacall
Hanchett, Adrienne	gum snapping	horseback riding	Dale Evans
Haskins, Kenneth	Dodger Fans	baseball	Lil' Abner
Hayes, John			Thin Man
Howansky, Daniel	studying	talking	Peter Lorre
Hughes, Florence	Lynn Dugan	Anne's	Maureen O'Hara
Jesmain, Anthony			Charlie Chaplan
Kehoe, Edward	guys who make fun of the football team	sleeping and eating	Micky Rooney
Ke sey, Charles	work	baseball	Duke Snider
Kempisty, Alice	conceited girls	Kresges	Millie, the Model
Kenny, George	English	sports	Henry Aldrich
Kippen, Kenneth	Worm	loafing	George Gobel
Kirtoglou, Mary Anne	no sparetime	playing records	Judy Foster
Lansing, Lawrence	leaches	hanging around	Jimmy Dean
Lefever, David	Dot, Mac, Al, Dave, Kip	hunting	Dumbo
Lewandowski, J. Nancy	conceited people	writing letters	Corliss Archer
Lobinger, Sylvia	typing errors	dancing	June Allyson
Lomascolo, Angelo	Worm	Judy	J. Fred Mugs
Long, Robert	selling tickets	dreamin' of campin'	Harry James
MacDonald, Julianne	Worm's dead squirrel	Ann's	Cupid
Manderville, Patricia	conceited people	writing letters	Cass Daley
Maney, David	people who gripe	Stewart's	Davy Crockett
Masten, Gerald	B.T.O.	baseball	Pig Foote Pete
McBain, Harold	school	movies	Carey Grant
McGovern, Barbara	fighting with Don	jealous girls	Dianna Lynn
Moffat, Doris	snobs	Art	Young Widow Brown
Morrison, Jean	unconsiderate people	Don	Peter Pan
May, Chester	My Mother	Barbara	Tab Hunter
Neddo, Helen	Tony	boys	Tiny Tim
Nielsen, Paul	office	Guptill's	Edward G. Robinson
Normandin, Shirley	show offs	Guptill's	June Haver

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O'Brien, Carol	riding buses	Joey	Brenda Star
O'Donahue, Katheryn	snapping gum	water-skiing	Gracie Allen
Palmer, Norma	jealous boys	Roy	Mrs. Roosevelt
Paparian, Margaret	big wheels	eating	Martha Raye
Patton, Thomas	Nielsen	Guptill's	Dave Garroway
Phillips, William	Homeroom	Linen's	Bob Cousy
Poliquin, Brenda	conceited people	Guptill's	Judy Canova
Poliquin, Richardo	homework	hunting	Bert Parks
Pontore, Michael			Satch, the Bowrey Boy
Pouchak, Joan	conceited people	Bob Rodgers	Big Sister
Poulin, Joan	conceited people	Guptile's	Betty Grable
Poulin, Robert	algebra	girls	Rip Van Winkle
Pratt, Thomas	goldbricks	sea scouts	Barry Fitzgerald
Prendergast, Michael	Worm	sports	Sky King
Preston, Janice	short boys	Billy	Lady Godiva
Provost, Dorothy	Dave Lefevre	writing to Bob	Debbie Reynolds
Quackenbush, Donald	Dodgers	sports	Mr. Flat Top
Quinn, Paul			Andy Devine
Ramroth, Melba	conceited boys	Bob May	Snow White
Rantanen, Irene	conceited people	Howie	
Richmond, Almeron	Worm	girls	Gene Kelly
Robideau, David	work	loafing	Lone Ranger
Rogers, Lionel	Worm	19 Spring Avenue	Paul Bunyon
Ross, Barry	giggling girls	reading and classical music	Billy Graham
		writing to three guys	Happy (7 dwarfs)
Roullier, Barbara	U. S. Air Force	roller skating	Peggy King
St. Hilaire, Anne	conceited people	Joey	Queen Bee
Salernos, Phyllis	gossips	Mac	Princess Margaret
Schilling, Esther	cliques		Rose
			Jinx Falkenburgh
Sokol, Dorothy	conceited people	Jack	
Smith, Clarence	Worm	hotrods	
Squadere, Francis	possessive people	Buddy	Betty Hutton
Stewart, Linda	people who hate animals	Larry	Emily Dickinson
Stonick, Ronald	girls	bowling	Popeye the Sailor
Stoddard, Thomas	school	working	Dondi
Sullivan, John			Beetle Bailey
Tacelli, Geraldine	buying records	playing piano	Gypsy Rose Lee
Tetrault, Louis	101	Sandy	Uncle Miltie
Travers, Francis			Aunt Jemima
Tribley, Janet A.	conceited people	riding a motorcycle	Marlon Brando
Tribley, Janet M.	conceited people	boys	Peggy Lee
VanBuren, Constance	conceited people	movies	Barbara Ann Scott
Van Leuven, Marcella	snobs	John Dean	Roxanne
Van Olpen, Emily	writing letters	roller skating	Connie Haines
Vartanian, Melinae	conceited people	music	Portia Faces Life
Walker, June	gossips	cooking	Jane Russell
Walters, Joyce	gym		Dizzy
Wood, Virginia	Pontiacs	writing to Jimmy	Sapphire
Yarborough, Shirley	some men drivers	singers	Ella Fitzgerald



# Senior Poll

Most Inquisitive

Most Considerate

Best Couple

Class Clowns

Best Build

Wittiest

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Best Looking



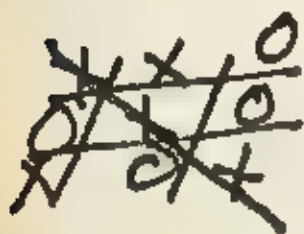




Best ARTISTS

TALLEST  
Boy

SHORTEST  
GIRL



Best

DRIVERS

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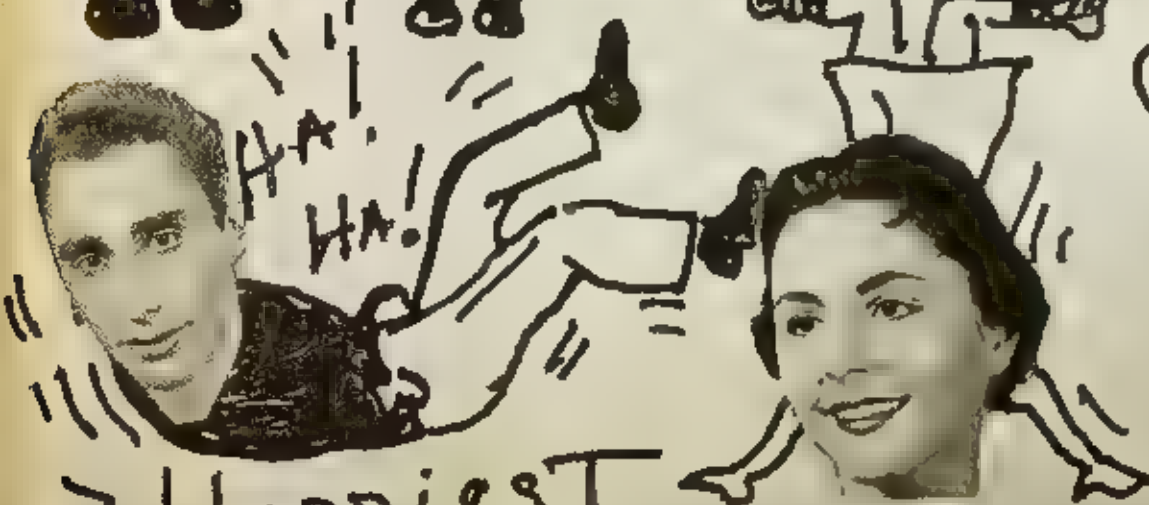


PERSONALITY



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Happiest

CLASS  
POETS







Most Flirtatious



Greatest service to School

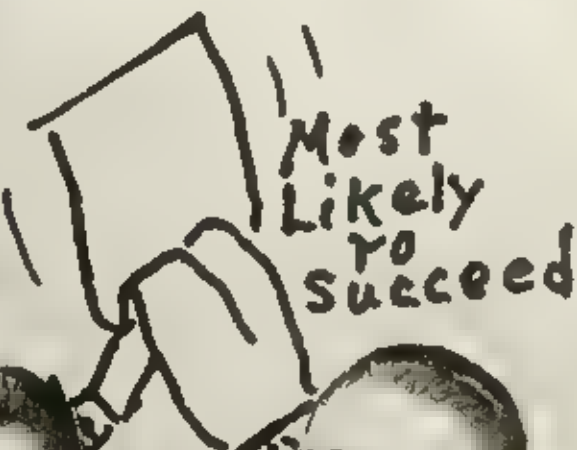


Most School Spirit



Best Dancers

Biggest Prevaricator



Most Likely to Succeed



Best Leaders



Most Gullible

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Most Co-operative



Best Dressed



Most Talkative

Best Entertainers



Friendliest



Suavest



Best Athletes





Classes

# *Class Letters*

## *Class of '57*

Dear Seniors,

Your four short years of high school education are complete. You will take with you, as you leave, many cherished memories of your years at Watervliet High.

We, as Juniors, watched your progress through the years and soon discovered that the Class of '56 personifies loyalty, sportsmanship and friendliness. Through your achievements, Watervliet High School has gained prestige throughout this district. We will do our best to uphold the high standards you have established during your past four years in our Alma Mater.

May your ambitions be fulfilled and may you attain new heights as you venture into the world.

THE CLASS OF '57

## *Class of '58*

Dear Seniors,

We find ourselves at a loss for words now that the time has come to say goodbye to the dependable and loyal Class of '56.

You who have accomplished so much in your four short years deserve our congratulations. We, as Sophomores, admire your leadership and hope to follow in your footsteps as we become upperclassmen so that we may be worthy of saying, "We knew the Class of '56."

May you attain all your goals and find success in future endeavors.

THE CLASS OF '58

## *Class of '59*

Dear Seniors,

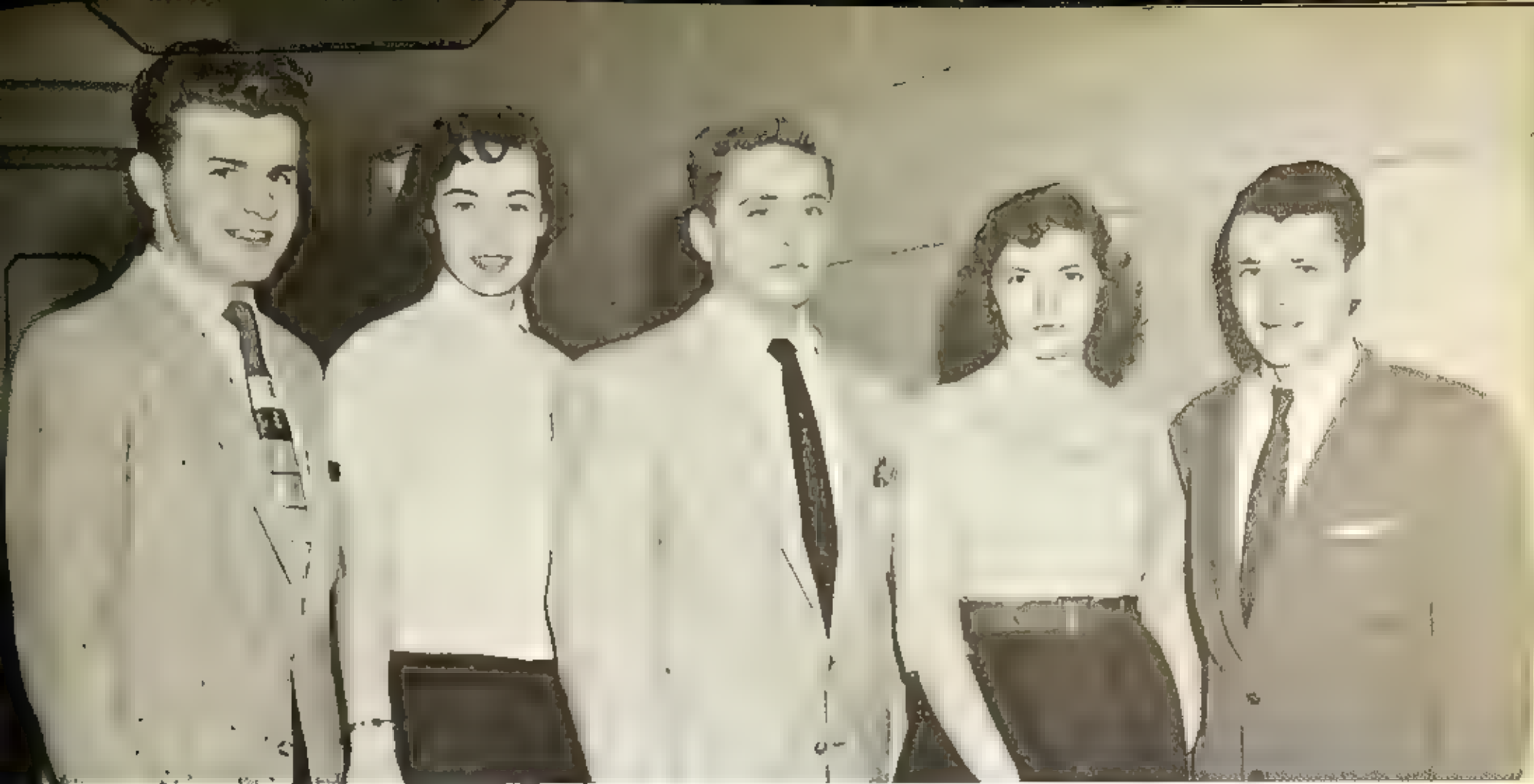
We, the Class of '59, are proud to have known such friendly, loyal and school-spirited Seniors as those in the Class of '56.

We hope to follow in the footsteps of you who have lead and guided us for one short year. You have made us set our goals high, so that, some day, when we are the leaders, we may be compared with you, the Senior Class of 1956.

Congratulations on your numerous accomplishments. Please accept our sincere wishes for your lasting success.

THE CLASS OF '59





## *Junior Class Officers*

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*Secretary*  
PATRICIA CARL

*Treasurer*  
RICHARD TERRILL

*Reporter*  
BEVERLY LEGENBAUER

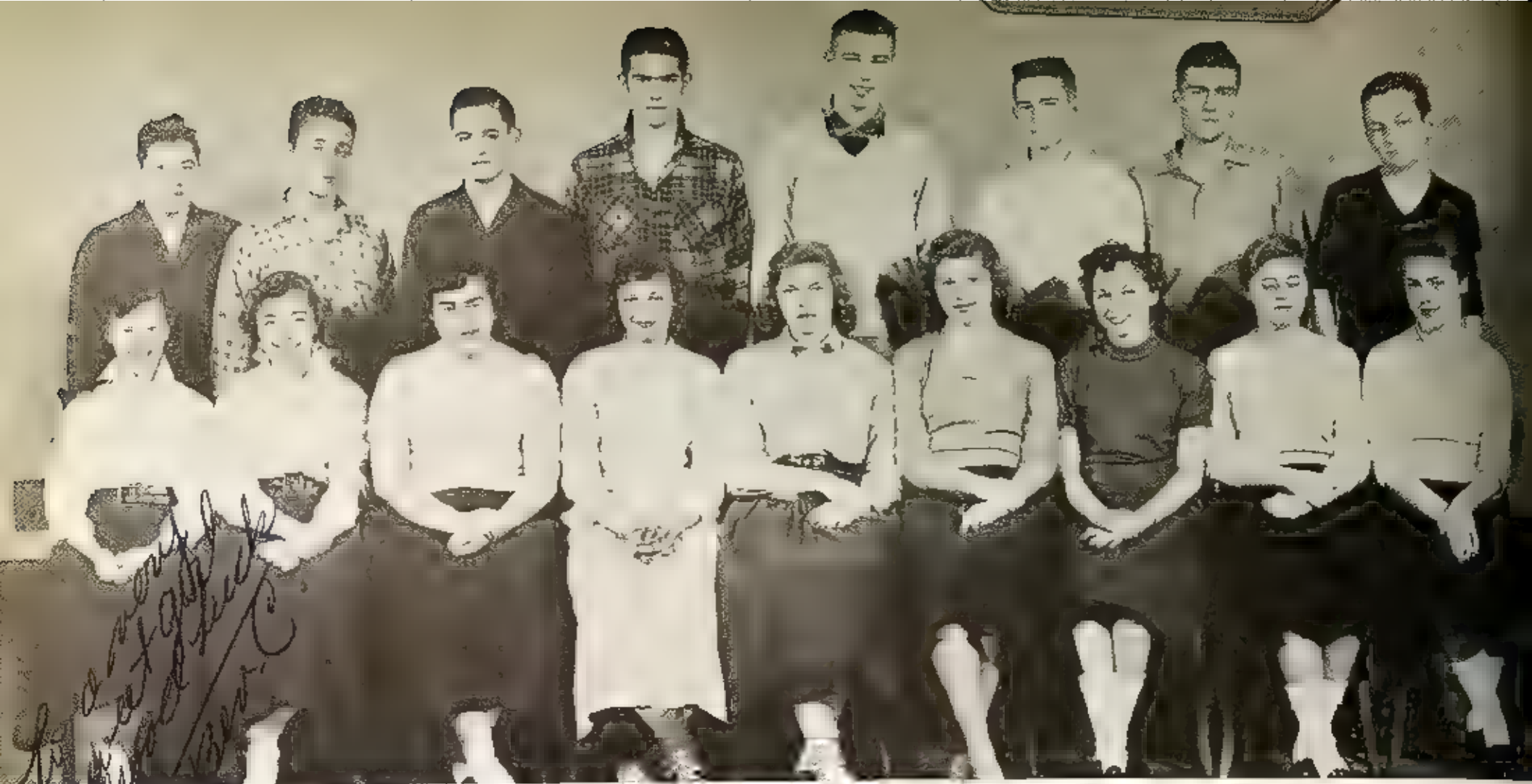
*President*  
FRANK BOWDEN

The "Jolly Juniors," class of '57, was organized in the fall of '54, devoting most of our year as freshmen getting acquainted with our classmates and teachers of future years. Time flew by and we became "gay, young sophomores" In this year, Mr. Alfred H. Aulisi had been chosen as our class advisor. Blue and white had been selected as our class colors. The big event of this year was the Sophomore-Senior Party which bade farewell to the Seniors.

As Juniors this year, we presented the Christmas play which brought much Christmas spirit to W.H.S. As Juniors we will receive our class rings, a goal which each one of us has worked so hard to achieve. The last and biggest event of the year in which we will bid farewell to the Seniors, is the Junior Prom. We hope this event will prove to be a very successful one.

*Advisor*  
MR. AULISI





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Top: J. Granato, E. Bielawa, M. Cronin, R. Shappy, L. Mielewski, T. Henry, S. Hunt, N. Naddo. Bottom: B. Clum, L. Diodati, R. Storelli, O. Harris, B. Legenbauer, B. Kirk, M. Muraski, M. Hockey, R. Bowen. Absent: P. McGovern, D. Rand, W. Williams.

Best of Luck  
to a very nice  
grad  
E. B.

Best of Luck always  
to one of the  
sweetest  
grads I know  
Mary-Jane

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Top: S. Toma, J. Sauer, R. Boisvert, R. Dundon, J. D'Allard, R. Romano, E. Clark, R. Terrill, G. Kimball. Middle: T. Riley, E. Esposito, R. Tyson, G. Thorns, M. Howe, P. Hunter, J. Vanderwerken, A. St. Hilaire, W. Conover. Bottom: J. Bouchard, J. Degnan, S. Obrien, J. Schendel, N. Stewart, C. Assini, I. Clemishaw, J. Duffney, M. Saimond, S. Strong.







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Top: T. Kussler, F. Langford, G. Curran, W. Harbour, P. Volk, B. White, T. Fitzpatrick. Middle: F. Razanousky, A. Hughes, J. Hart, A. Ross, R. Belski, R. Miller. Bottom: S. Roe, M. Stetz, A. Folmsbee, P. Simonian, F. Bills, C. Honsinger, B. Common. Absent: J. Bryant, E. DiFabio, E. LaMar, A. Moroukian, A. Sleasman.

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Top: T. Olcott, D. Johnson, F. Horner, J. Frederick, A. Cruickshank, R. Rollick, M. Tovino. Middle: H. Waite, M. Knapp, J. Freehauf, B. McGurie, M. Rochford, D. Cardin, E. Gregoire. Bottom: G. Jillson, R. Gilboy, M. Grimes, D. Gardner, J. Wilson, F. Shufelt, D. Roe, D. Kachidurian. Absent: J. DeVoe, C. Gregware, T. Stah, J. Scarnell.





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Top: J. Campbell, R. Hansman, F. Bowden, R. Hilt, R. Pittard, F. Esposito, M. Kapusnik Middle: L. Kaiser, V. Humel, R. Dressel, W. Rezey, J. Garrahan, P. Carolus. Bottom: P. Bridger, M. Stafford, F. Nerf, M. Goller, A. LaValley, J. Robinson, J. Viola, C. Mardigan, P. Milnarik. Absent: R. Harris, N. Yetto.

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Top: L. Cramer, J. Shields, E. Eichele, J. Perry, R. Van Vorst, F. Gras, C. Launsbach, W. Boyland. Middle: F. Anemeier, R. Glynn, M. Nailer, S. Dombrosky, J. Bonville, W. Donawick, P. Harris. Bottom: M. DePaul, M. Bielawa, G. Martucci, T. Clayton, C. McNamee, C. Norris, C. Hagadorn, G. Neeb, P. Carl. Absent: W. Hotaling, J. Light, J. Razzano.



*Best of luck  
L. Carl*





## Sophomore Class Officers

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ARTHUR HART

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GAIL GARDNER

Secretary  
MARCIA LINENDOLL

The Class of 1958 began its activities of the year with the election of class officers. We are fortunate to have guidance and help from Mrs. Quinn, our new class advisor.

Committees were then formed to collect dues from each homeroom for the coming year.

Of course, our big social event of the year is the Sophomore-Senior Party to which everyone is looking forward.

The Sophomore Class wishes to extend its gratitude to the SPECTATOR and best wishes to the Class of 1956 in the coming years.

Advisor  
MRS. QUINN



*Each in all right*

*Mr. Brant*





Top: P. Fayata, W. Pettit, R. McDonald, K. Fritz, J. Razzano, P. Hughes, R. Henzel, T. Joy. Middle: S. Kirtoglou, E. O'Connell, C. Gardner, J. Mokay, D. Neville, D. Comproski, T. Baran, W. Cahill. Bottom: H. Hachgran, L. Carroll, G. Markham, M. Shaughnessy, S. Zeh, B. Wheeler, H. Allen, J. Turner, D. Hewitt. Absent: D. Anderson, G. Lester, K. Rysedorph.

*Best of Luck  
Rachie*

*Best of Luck for a small girl  
Ted Baran*

*Thomas M. Joy  
Robert Henzel*

*Best of Luck  
Harold Rysedorph  
Patricia*

*Best of Luck  
Dana O'Brien*

*Best of Luck to a  
catholic  
Janet*

*Best of Luck  
Cathy Kane*

Top: N. Zielonko, B. Knower, W. Sturgeon, R. Adler, C. Hauster, R. DuBois, C. Decker, H. Petrie, B. McGhie, R. House, D. O'Brien. Middle: J. Willis, J. Bentz, J. Cervantes, S. Sandles, N. Calahan, K. Fitzgerald, B. Hogan, P. Carroll, J. Glebocki. Bottom: Kelly, E. Powell, N. Boyd, S. Shea, M. Linendoll, L. McNamara, D. Upright, P. Lussier, D. Hurst. Absent: Barber.

*Best of Luck  
Hard suggest a small girl  
Bella*

*Best of Luck  
in the coming  
year for  
D*

*Best of Luck  
Bill McGhie*







**208**

Top: R. Ives, J. Walker, W. Wilson, R. Blake, J. McCormick, R. Golonka, F. Powers, M. Kerin, R. King  
 Middle: J. DiPofi, L. Nash, B. Halpin, J. Barnes, L. Young, V. Riley, R. Kelsey, J. Hogan, T. Connors  
 Bottom: P. Cesare, M. Iachetta, M. McGovern, M. File, D. Luther, S. Sauter, G. Zyglewicz, M. Sullivan,  
 D. Shostak. Absent: E. Denison, V. Lawrence, D. Mosher, M. Nash, K. O'Connor

*Best of luck  
to a sweet gal  
a Marion*

*Best of luck  
D on marching*

*Best of luck  
Pink Golonka  
"Al"*

*Best of luck  
sweet girl  
John  
Best of luck  
John*

**211**

Top: R. Nadeau, J. Dion, B. Groves, J. Whited, D. Stoddard, G. Childs, L. Bird. Bottom: M. Ervin,  
 Condon, G. Seymour, E. Groves, M. Swartz, J. Maslanka, A. Campbell. Absent: D. Wagorn.







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Top: M. Kzirian, A. Hart, B. Dagner, S. Wallen, B. Wood, E. Pike, T. Tully, J. Chartrand, W. Grady, Middle: M. Skadra, B. Austin, B. Hopson, L. Spensard, S. Blondin, B. Campione, B. Theroux, J. Torre, G. Pratt. Bottom: S. Mrling, S. Slade, S. Gordon, D. Oisen, M. Schramm, C. Vanleuven, J. Ragosta, D. Taggart, M. Densmore Absent D. Dugan, M. Magee

306

Top: W. Cardus, Milanese, D. Roberts, D. Romano, G. Petregal, B. Killough, D. Neaton, L. Edwards.  
Middle: M. Benoit, G. Leggett, M. Welz, L. House, P. Sterling, J. Vincent, B. Martin. Bottom: P. McCormick, B. Guy, S. Jewet, G. Razanousky, P. Assini, S. Berdar, A. Tozzi, S. Allen, L. Cole. Absent: H. D'Avignon, S. Shannon.







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Top row: H. Gorko, D. VanVleck, N. Langford, R. Angus, F. Kenyon, J. Chandra, E. Derado. Middle row: C. Ba'nbridge, M. Mowrey, J. O'Brien, A. Erno, K. Blonshine, G. Gardiner, J. Coca. Bottom row: J. Pastore, M. Eagan, E. Jewett, E. Hockey, R. Roman, J. Hotaling, B. Webster, E. Meyer

Sandy  
"Maggie"  
"The girl who  
always  
saves the  
day"  
"Always  
sweet as  
sugar"

Best of Luck  
to a sweet  
kid  
E. J. W.

Best of luck always

Best wishes  
to a sweet  
kid

To a wonderful  
friend  
Best of luck  
to a sweet  
girl

Best of luck  
Always to a sweet girl  
Joan Milnes  
Best of luck  
in the future  
to a nice kid

To a very sweet  
girl  
your friend  
Penny

To my  
girl  
Bob.

To a very  
sweet kid

Always  
Sally Jewett  
Best wishes to a sweet girl  
W. J. W.

Best of  
wishes  
to a  
sweet  
girl

Best of luck  
Joan Vincent

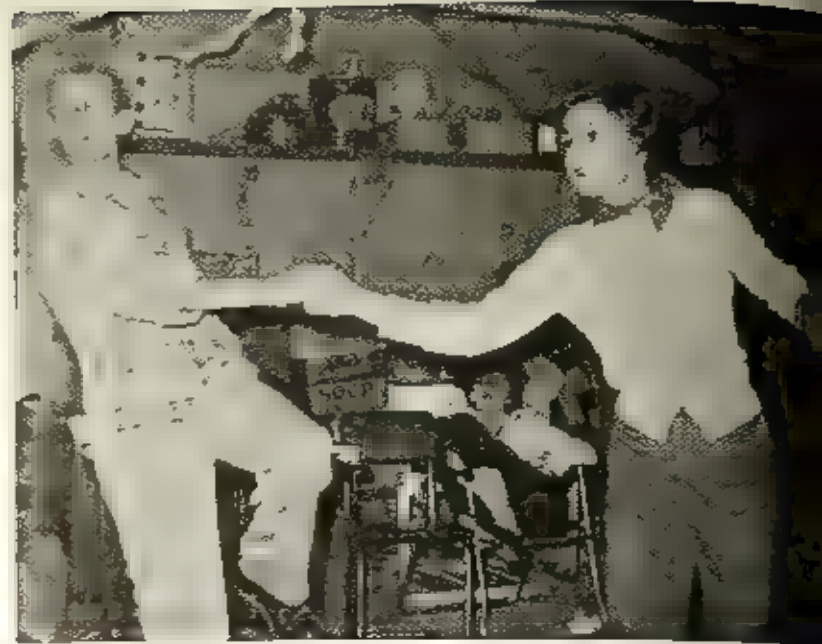
"Best of luck always"  
Donald Roberts



# Snaps



They went to their lockers!



Cool, Man!



One Down, Six to go.



Back seat Driver



Reveille



Johnny Guitar



Celebrity





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WILL AM BANCROFT

When we Pea Greeners first entered the crowded halls of Watervliet High School, we felt very insignificant and lost.

However, after making friends with teachers and schoolmates, we entered into high school life. Many of us joined clubs and enjoyed attending school events.

We chose Miss Hanrahan as our class advisor, and are looking forward to three busy, happy years.

We wish the Seniors happiness and success in the future. We shall endeavor to support the fine traditions of Watervliet High.

MISS HANRAHAN







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Top: I. Bernard, R. Tomaski, W. Robbins, J. Rude, E. Matter, S. Cardish, D. Wark, T. Smith, W. Wright, C. Hartman, W. Peterson. Middle: W. Moss, J. Sehlegel, R. Hurlbut, B. Foglia, A. Cocroft, H. Rochford, A. Ackenbrack, M. Reed, M. Parsley, E. Sullivan. Bottom: S. Boyland, J. VanVranken, J. LaMalfa, P. Madao, H. King, S. Earl, P. Lucky, P. Angelides, A. Beauparlant. Absent: W. Gillett.

Best of Luck to Sweetest! Diana Sharpe  
Best of Luck to Sweetest! Collier  
Best of Luck to Sweetest! Ann  
Today I wish  
in all the years  
I wish  
All the luck in the world to  
a real sweet friend  
Good to a sweet girl  
Ann

Paul  
Hendry

Top: J. Robreau, J. Treacy, J. O'Neill, J. Sciacco, K. Hill, R. Glaude, E. Forgue, D. Alber, B. Braid, P. Tarbovy. Middle: R. Kirk, T. Pincher, W. Reed, G. Bell, M. Doolen, J. Collier, B. Bancroft, B. Hydron, V. Verjavan, C. May. Bottom: R. Burgess, L. Eaton, J. Buck, N. Bennett, J. Percendes, M. Mroz, D. Shufelt, S. MacFarlane, D. Derado. Absent: G. Manzer







## Study Hall 1

Top: G. Peterson, R. Rounds, S. Galusha, C. Sanger, J. Conlen, A. Timberlin, R. Van Olpen, C. Shadra  
 Middle: J. Ellsworth, J. Sheehan, W. Bentley, J. Angelides, E. Oathout, J. Blake, G. Cietek, R. Bridger, W. Raleigh. Bottom: R. Wallen, B. Barbour, F. DiNuzzo, M. Tryon, J. Fedorchak, J. Mastan, M. Williams, M. Kyka, V. Maroukian. Absent: H. Lester, R. Houlel, L. Palmer, R. Robbins.

*Good luck to all of you*  
*Best of luck always*

*Good luck*  
*John Sheehan*

*Best of luck always*  
*Shema*

*Good luck always*  
*Shema*

## Study Hall 2

Top: B. Rentz, J. Gensicks, G. Linendoll, F. Henderson, T. Sheldon, R. Oathout, P. Conway, W. Lake, T. Fisher. Middle: R. Baumgart, J. Disonell, L. Root, C. Read, A. Hughes, E. Elting, L. McNeff, D. DePew, J. Broughton. Bottom: B. Clark, T. Anameier, P. Matthews, H. Worzochalski, J. Boisvert, P. Sarkisian, R. Phoenix, H. Keiler, R. Van Olpen. Absent: C. Cardin, M. Morris, A. Styczynski.







*Best of Luck to all who are leaving  
a sweet Mary  
love Mary  
Lucas*

**209**

Top: L. Alexander, B. Long, E. Seeloff, R. Bickel, J. Peters, E. Gorman, J. Brand, G. Henne, C. Burns, J. Erb, F. Marchese. Middle: S. Chiplock, B. Rode, A. LeBlanc, G. Saylor, G. Powers, C. Ducar, C. Tracy, J. Combs, P. Pouchak, D. Franklin, O. Bennett. Bottom: M. DeRusso, S. Nestork, S. Crogan, D. Hollis, P. Menke, M. Klinovski, G. Muraski, B. Edwards, I. Irish. Absent: M. Ver Snyder.

*Good Luck to all who are leaving  
Sweetest Joseph  
Mary Ann Mori*

*Best of Luck in the years to come  
Joe Peters*

*Lots of Luck  
Mary Ann Mori*

*Best of Luck Always  
Marilyn Klaus*

**210**

Top: F. Senick, R. Rollick, E. Butler, N. Donovan, J. Simmon, T. Whitehead, J. Ricci. Middle: R. Neddo, T. Chiplock, G. Benson, L. Holmes, J. Jewett, S. Alle, H. Pratt, G. Bird, A. McKay. Bottom: J. Salamander, M. Daus, J. Grillo, E. Baronofsky, L. Conklin, M. Mori, J. Steinback, G. Redling. Absent: J. Gaffers, E. Markham, B. Tetrault, E. Wagner, R. Kuchesky.







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Top. J. Burns, R. Tate, J. Call, D. Fabricues, M. Alaxanian, J. Morgans, J. Kussler Middle B. Trela J. Drzymala, D. Wardell, L. Vermilya, A. Schroeder, M. Keyes. Bottom, J. Mank, S. Dewey, M. K. Claire K. Simonian, T. Tighe, J. Senn, D. Golski. Absent. L. Martell, R. Such

To a sweet girl  
lots of luck  
Anna Mae  
5-9

To a very nice girl  
lots of luck  
Eileen 5-9

Lots of luck  
to a real sweet  
girl - Judy  
Lots of  
a sweet luck  
Shirley 5-9

Dear Sandra,  
all the love in the  
world to you  
"Don't forget to smile"



Sandy,  
best wishes &  
may all your  
dreams come  
true.  
Sue  
Jash

Love & Luck  
to a sweet gal  
and my algebra  
classmate  
Barb

# *Snap*



Peek-A-Boo!



Hooked



Monkey Business



Future Stars



Bruce and Barb



Drink! Drink! Drink!



Got Um!



Kitchen Help





1956

Organizations

[Wayne Ambrose]



## Student Council

*Best of Luck always  
Rich*

The Student Council is the most important organization of the school. It is the heart or pulse of the school. It is the school's most dynamic organization, one which is not just active, but active in the things that count. It is composed of twenty-five specially elected members, one from each homeroom . . . The President is elected during the previous year by the entire student body.

The Student Council is the means by which the administration of the school, the faculty, and the student body can work together in harmony making the school a better place in every way by (1) promoting the general welfare of the entire school by encouraging loyalty and good morale, (2) fostering ideals of good citizenship, and (3) sponsoring worthwhile projects that live up to the standards of the Student Council.

The activities of the Student Council throughout the year include the Student Council Dance; the Student Council Play; conducting the nominations and elections of the A. A. President, the City Mayor and councilmen; holding special assemblies for the school and the community; hall duty; supervising fire drills; selling student tickets to all games; and conducting the Civic Chest, the Red Cross, and the March of Dimes Drives.



President  
ROBERT LONG

The Student Council holds its meetings every second Monday during the sixth period under the capable leadership of its advisor, Mrs. Ellen Bevins.

Treasurer  
PATRECIA BREEN

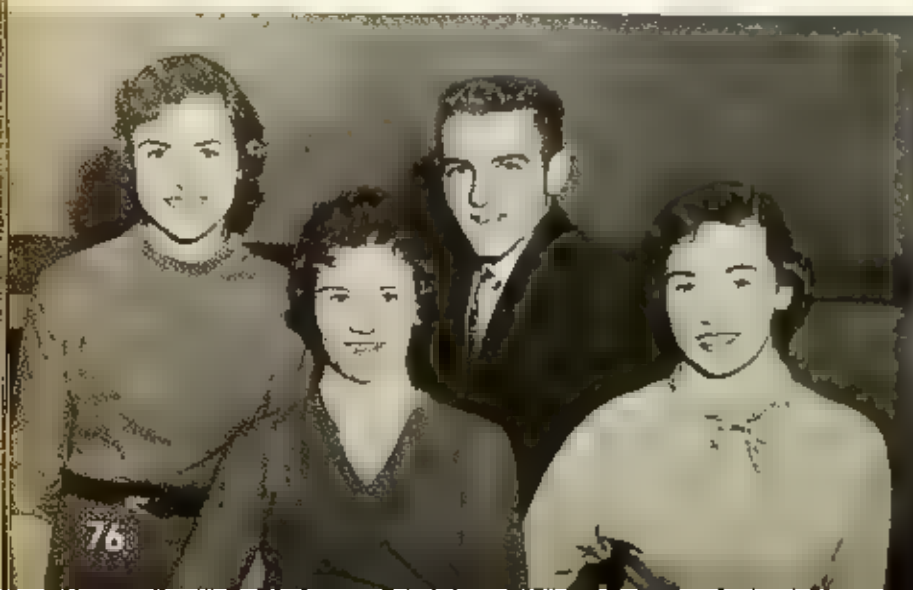
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PATRICIA CARL

Vice President  
DAVID MANEY

Reporter  
MAUREEN SULLIVAN



Advisor  
MRS. BEVINS







## Forum Club

*Handwritten note:* "Lambert of the Best to a girl's school."

The Forum Club of Watervliet High School is a scholastic society. It is made up of those Juniors and Seniors who have a high standing in Social Studies and show an active interest in world affairs. The program of the Forum Club, under the supervision of Miss Mary Hanrahan, consists of debates and discussions, programs to celebrate appropriate occasions, and the much enjoyed banquet.

A trip to places of historical interest is made each year. This year's trip was to Amherst, Mass., to visit the Lord Jeffery Inn and also to Old Wiggins Tavern and the Old Country Store in North Hampton, Mass. The members also visited Amherst College. At the close of the year's activities, pins are presented to members.

*Treasurer*  
SYLVIA LOBINGER

*Reporter*  
VICKI FISKE

*Secretary*  
LINDA STEWART

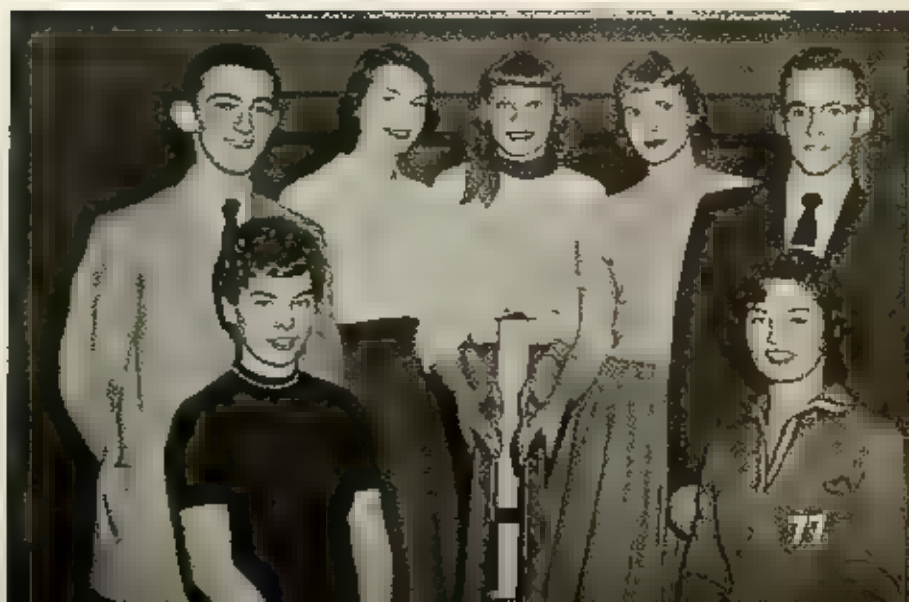
*President*  
DAVID LEFEVE

*Vice President*  
JAMES EWING

*Program Chairwomen*  
JEAN MORRISON  
MARCELLA VAN LEUVAN



*Advisor*  
MISS M. HANRAHAN







*Let's stick to  
the club people  
Love you all*

## French Club

Le Cercle Francais is the official title of the organization known as the French Club to the school at large. Its membership is composed of students who are currently studying French or who have done so in the past. Meetings are held monthly in Room 102. The big social events of the year are the Christmas sale, the winter dance, and the spring trip. Interest this year lays in planning a trip to Montreal, to replace the one taken to New York City during each of the two preceding years.

*Best of luck  
to a swell kid  
from Port Henry*

*Best of luck  
to a small girl  
Bill Brown*

*Best of luck to  
a sweet gal!  
Carolyn*



Treasurer  
PATRICIA McCORMICK

Reporter  
LYNN MacNamara

Vice President  
DOUGLAS ANDERSON

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GAIL LEGGETT

Secretary  
JUDY TURNER



Advisor  
MRS. MAHONEY





FIRST YEAR

*Best of  
luck in  
W.H.D.  
Holly King*

*Bill  
Raleigh*



Advisor  
MRS. JONES

## Spanish Club

The Spanish Club, Los Amigos Espanoles, is a rapidly expanding organization, composed of more than one hundred students who are studying the Spanish language.

The purposes of the club are manifold. It acquaints the members with the songs, dances, customs and culture of the Spanish speaking countries. Also, it's the aim of the club to create a better relationship between the United States and our South American neighbors. At its monthly meetings, plays, movies and songs are presented in the native language. The highlights of the year include the traditional pinata at Christmas; the annual Spanish dinner, using authentic recipes; the spring dance, which now will be an annual affair.

The Spanish Club endeavors to promote a greater interest and understanding of the Spanish language and provides wholesome entertainment at the same time. "Saber es poder," "Knowledge is power," is the club's motto.

The club is under the very adept guidance of its advisor, Mrs. Christine Jones.

### SECOND AND THIRD YEAR

President  
RICHARD GARDINER

Secretary  
BEVERLY LEGANBAUER

Treasurer  
CAROLE COLLIER

Reporter  
JOYCE BEST

Vice President  
LAWRENCE NASH



*best a and long recruited (no concrete in my body, it's all) But "Murray" Hines*





## Thalian Society

The Thalian Society, composed of sixty Sophomore, Junior, and Senior girls, plays a very active part in W.H.S. The organization, under the capable direction of Miss Cecilia Schillaci, sponsors many activities during the school year.

In October, the initiation of pledges for the society provides a week of laughter for all students. A candlelight service completes the formal initiation for the pledges.

On Thanksgiving Eve, the Thalian Soiree is held. The dance is always a tremendous success because of the careful planning and co-operation of the Thalian girls.

Representing W.H.S. in their activities, the Thalian girls sponsor various events during the year. Among these are the sale of scarfs and a bake sale.

The final social event of the Society for the school year is its annual May banquet. Faculty members, new pledges to the society, and honor members of the graduating class are invited.

*Handwritten note:* Read to the Thalian Society



Reporter  
NANCY LEWANDOWSKI

Secretary  
CAROLE COLLIER

Vice President  
JULIANNE MacDONALD

President  
JEAN MORRISON

Treasurer  
PATRICIA BREEN



Advisor  
MISS SCHILLACI





## Latin Club

The Latin Club, one of the oldest clubs of our school, started this year with a small but determined group.

The club endeavors to promote a better understanding of the Latin language among the members.

Among the club's various activities are the election of officers and participation in the Christmas program.

*Luck!*

*Best Wishes  
Rosemarie Hurlbut*

*Luck of the Deal.  
J. Razzano*

*Good Luck*



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## *Art Club*

With the aim of developing the inner resources through creative experience, the art club of Watervliet High was formed under the direction of Mrs. Hudson.

The club strives to stimulate the aesthetic sense and endeavors to put to use all factors and fundamentals of design in every day living. It aids the students in making exciting new discoveries through their eyes and minds by increasing their powers of observation and inducing a meaningful perspective which will give them the pleasure of enjoying more fully what they see for the remainder of their lives.

To be eligible for membership the student must have completed one year study of art and be enrolled in a second year. Each year the members must complete at least one individual project for exhibition. This project may be a craft product, water color, oil painting, charcoal drawing or any other technique which creates an interesting show piece.

Members also participate in painting stage sets for civic and school plays. Poster work for civic and school activities plays an important role in the club. Sketches for the yearbook are submitted by the art club seniors as part of their activity. Co-operative creativity is developed in this way.



*Reporter*  
JOAN DONLON

*President*  
SYLVIA LOBINGER

*Secretary*  
ROSELLA CASOLO

*Vice President*  
SHIRLEY BATTISTI

*Absent from picture:*  
*Treasurer*  
JON LIGHT



*Advisor*  
MRS. HUDSON





*Handie,  
Ahi best  
always to a  
gal.  
my*

## Camera Club

*Look to a  
sweet &  
gal.  
pretty Susan*

Watervliet High School is very fortunate in having a well organized Camera Club which has been in existence since 1949 under the able direction of Mrs. Florence Pardus.

The members meet on the second Monday of each month and study the phases and techniques of photography.

This year the club has a record membership of fifty seven students. In January, a showing of Kodak prize-winning snapshots is always scheduled. A snapshot contest is sponsored by the club for which all members are eligible. During the Christmas season, the club has a party for its members. Sessions of developing, printing, and enlarging are held after school for those who wish to take advantage of the club's facilities.

*Good luck  
to a sweet  
girl & pal  
Kay*



Advisor  
MRS. PARDUS

President  
EARL FICHELE

Vice President  
BEVERLY LEGANBAUER

Secretary  
MARGARET SAIMOND

Treasurer  
ANNA HUGHES

Reporter  
DALE JOHNSON







## Band

The tone of music is universal. Music has been produced through the ages because playing and listening to others perform are delightful, satisfying experiences.

Through band membership, students develop well-balanced personalities via wholesome group experiences; they enjoy music more fully through active participation in group performance and they contribute to the musical life of the school and community.

The W.H.S. Band has been organized for four years. Among the highlights of its activities are the Tri State Band Festival, the annual Spring Concert, assembly concerts, and parade marching for the community.

The skill of its majorettes has added to the band's spirit and appearance.



Advisor  
MR. BOUCHARD

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PATRICIA MENDEL







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Ginger Lawrence, Barbara Guy, Vickie Fiske, Kathleen Simonian

## Majorettes

*Good Luck To Junior  
a very nice  
Penny*

Advisor  
MRS. CROSS

## Glee Club

The Glee Club is composed of students who are members of choral practice classes, of which there are four in school.

From these, a select group form the small chorus called the "Merrytones." General practice is in class periods throughout the year but training is intensified at Christmas season, just before the Spring Concert, and at Commencement time.

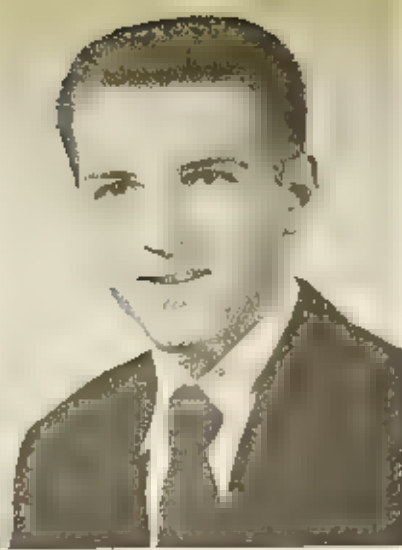
During the year, other special events require music, and members of the choral club are delighted to volunteer their services. Such programs include volunteer entertainment for Junior Red Cross service and Parent Teachers events or any affairs such as these.







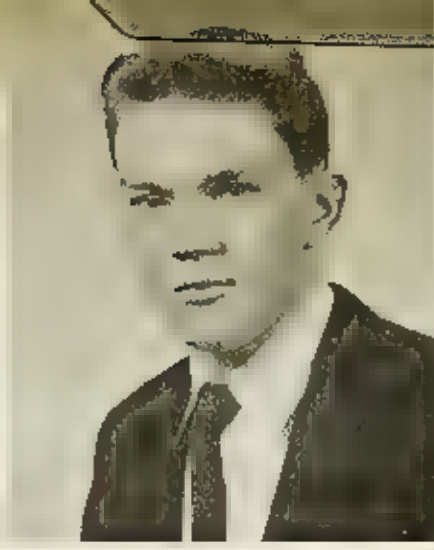
Jean Morrison



David Maney



Carole Ann Collier



Richard Gardiner



June Waker

## *National Honor Society*

The National Honor Society is an organization which aims to foster due enthusiasm for good scholarship and to recognize character, leadership, loyalty, and service to the school.

Watervliet High School sponsors a chapter of the National Honor Society to recognize outstanding members of the graduating class who meet the necessary qualifications. To be eligible for membership, a student must attain a general average of eighty-five percent. Extra-curricular activities record is an important factor in determining selection of members. Election to membership is made by a committee of faculty members. The number of members elected is limited to ten percent of the graduating class.

Graduates who are elected to membership are awarded membership certificates and gold pins, the national ensignia of the organization, at the annual Class Night exercises. The gold ensignia consists of a keystone and a flaming torch. The keystone bears the letters C.S.L. and S. which stands for the four cardinal principles of the organization: Character, Scholarship, Leadership, Loyalty, and Service. The Flaming torch symbolizes the searching light of truth.

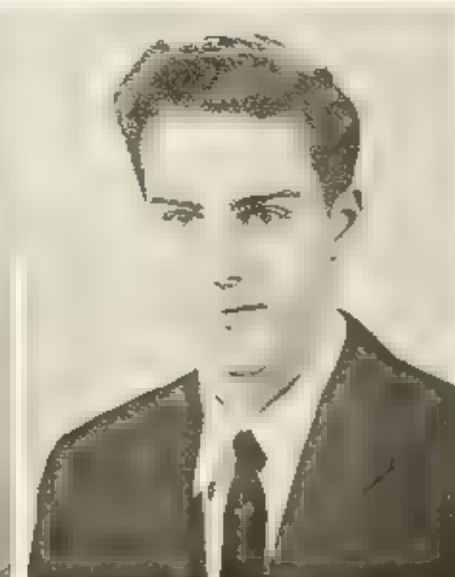
The local chapter is under the sponsorship of Mr. Robert H. Collier, Guidance Counselor.



Virginia Bird



Carole O'Brien



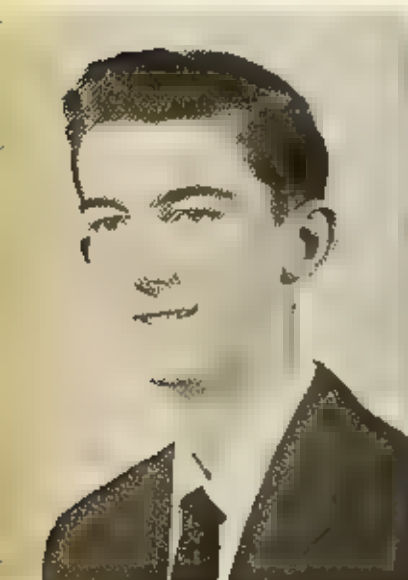
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Evelyn Del Signore



David Le Feve



Phyllis Salemos



Florence Hughes



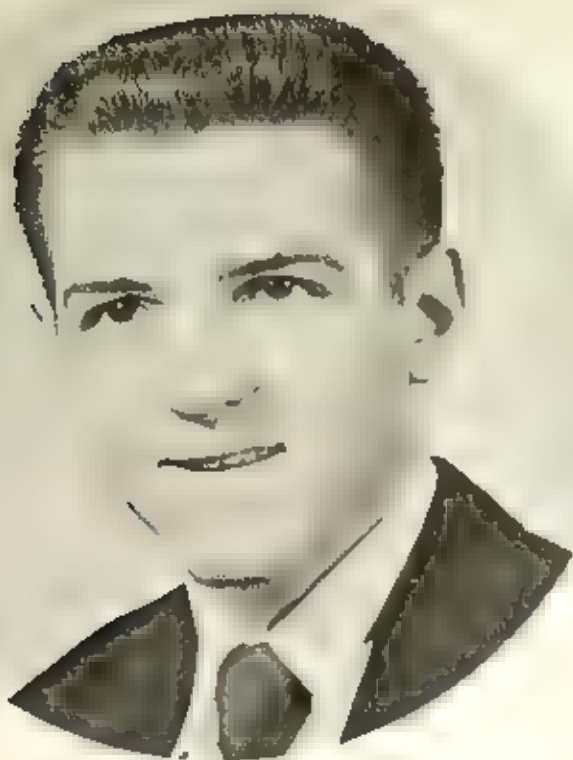
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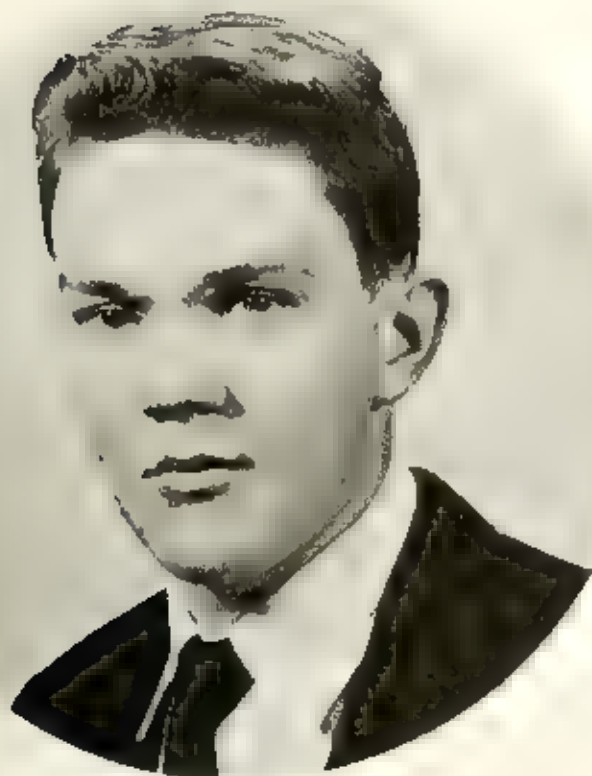
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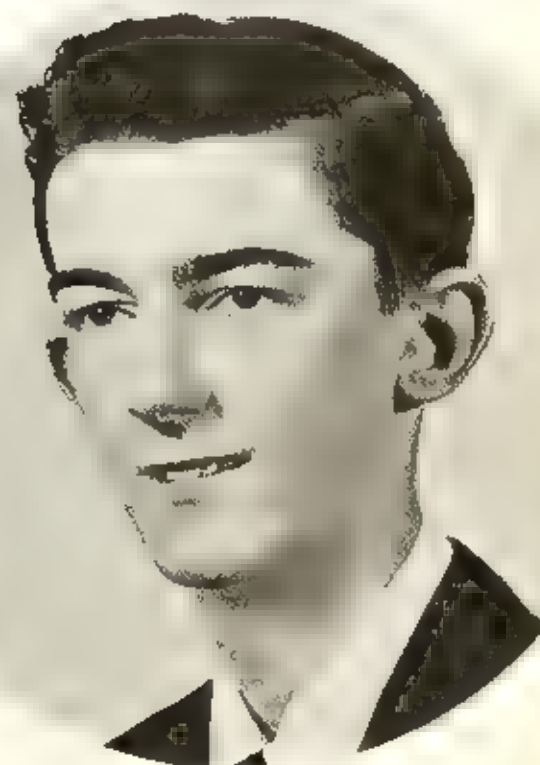


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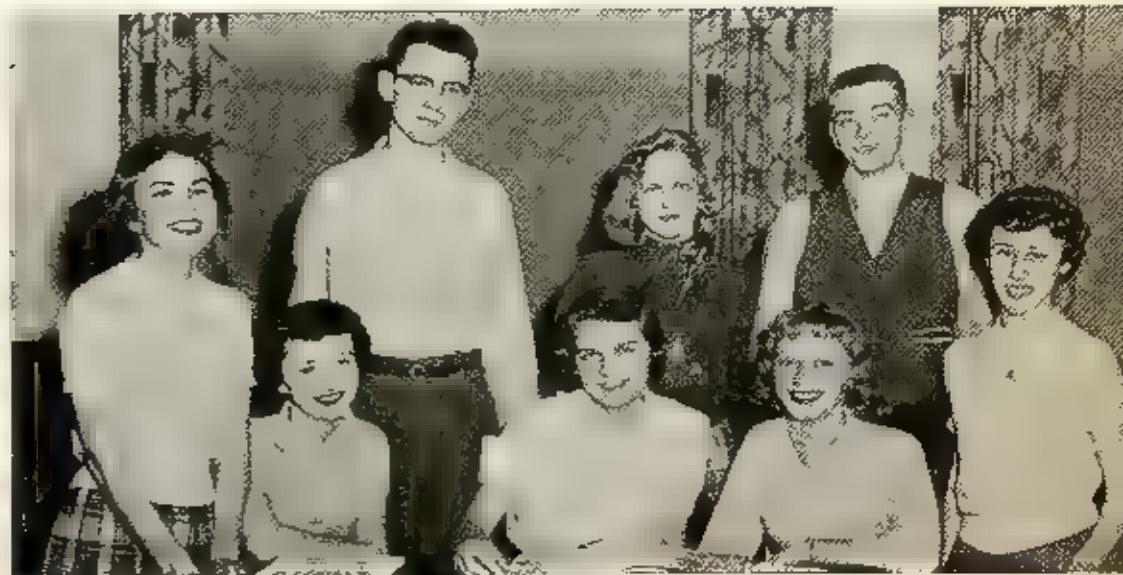
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## *Garnet and Gray*

The GARNET and GRAY is written for the purpose of informing the student body of the latest events occurring in Watervliet High School.

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Besides gathering the news, the Journalists make "the front page" by sponsoring two dances during the year.

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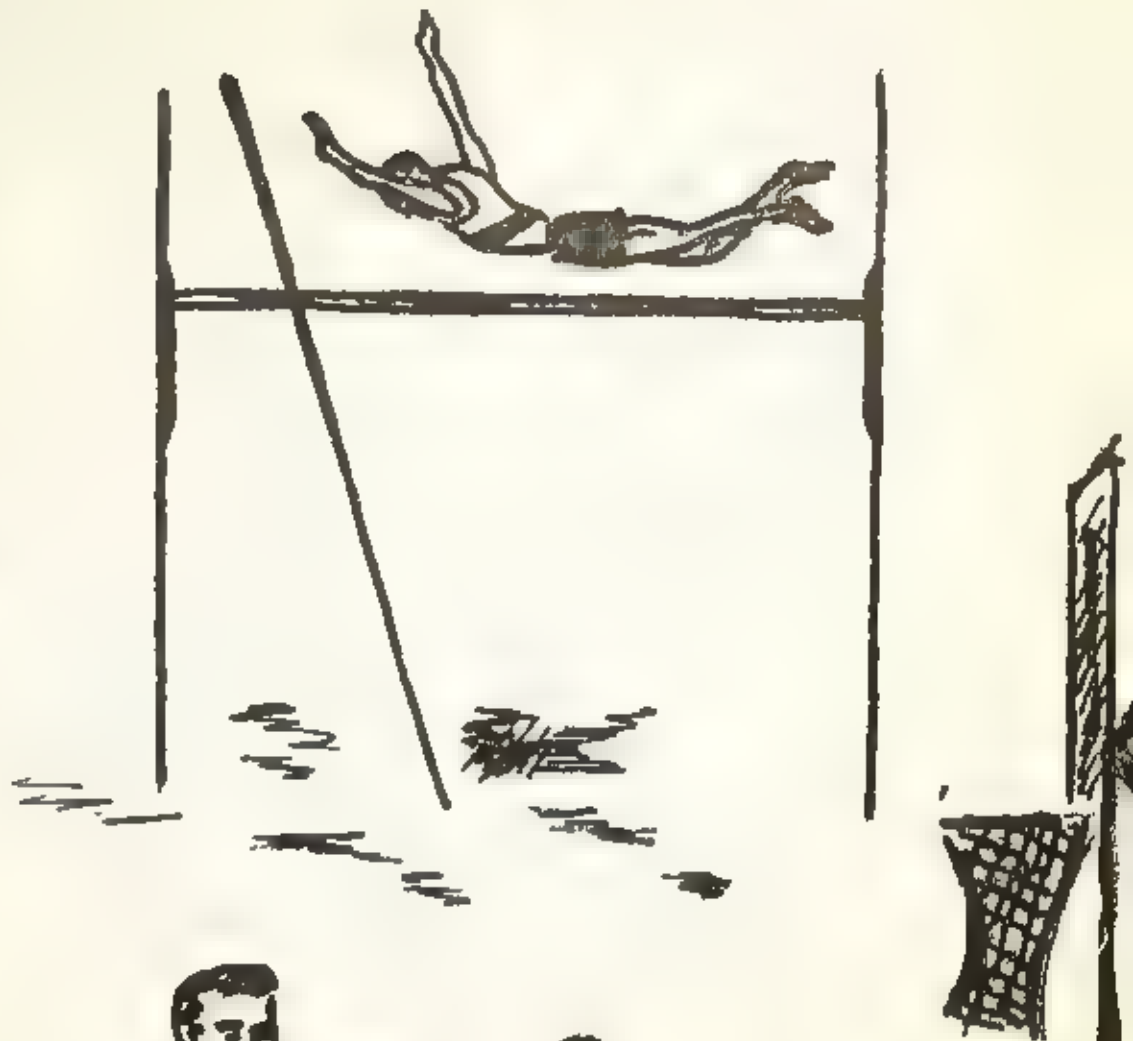
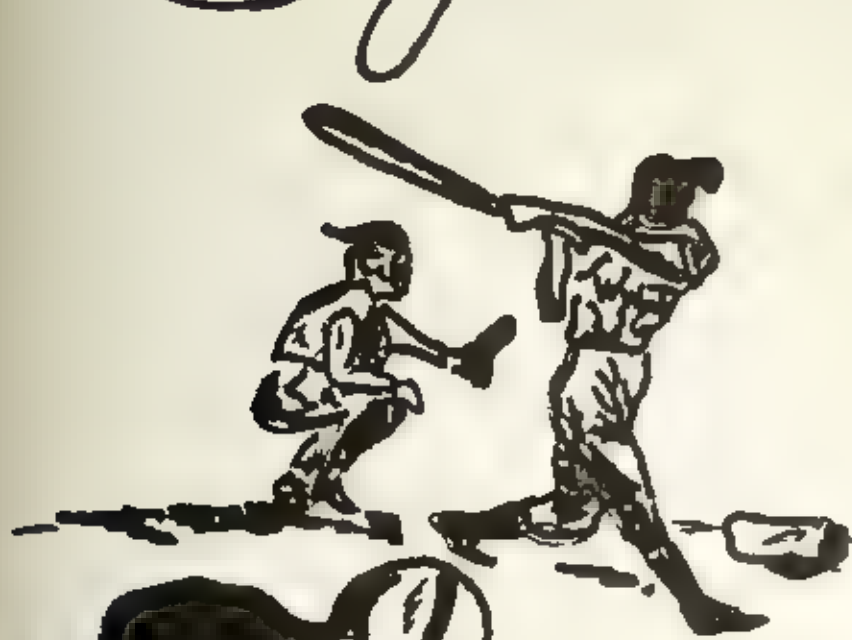
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# Sports



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## Football

Under the direction of Coach Walter Nash, this year's football team was probably the smallest in the history of Watervliet High. The team, greatly lacking in manpower but rich in drive and spirit, defeated Cohoes High, which was its only win of the season. Because so few boys turned out to play this year, there was no Junior Varsity.

The boys seeing the most action this year were as follows: Dick Foglia, Lou Tetrault, co-captains, Dick Terrill, Nick Fitzgerald and Frank Barone.

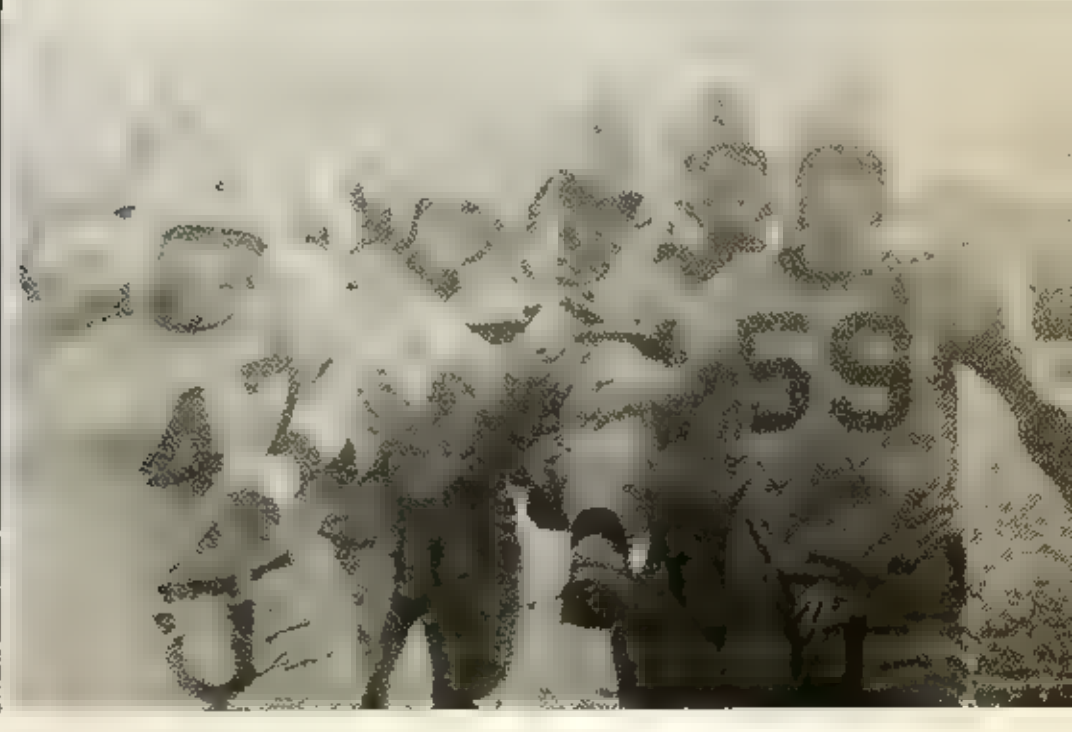
The entire team wishes to express its sincere thanks for the undying efforts of Head Coach Nash and his able assistants, Coaches Thompson, Wozniak and Brignola. Also they would like to wish them better luck for the next season.

They		We
25	CCHS	7
12	THS	0
24	Lansingburgh	0
25	LSI	13
7	Cohoes	14
19	Columbia	0
19	Hudson	7





# Football





## Soccer

Under the able direction of Coach Donald Hill, Watervliet High's soccer team completed another victorious season. Over the past five years the team's scoring record has been remarkably outstanding. In 55 games, which consists of a possible 110 points, our team has scored 102.

Again this year Watervliet High fought its way to the top of the Tri-County League Soccer Association, defeating 9 of the 11 worthy opponents and tying 2. However 'V iet suffered a 4 to 2 loss on the snow covered Broadalbin field against the strong Fort Plains eleven in the first round of the sectional play-offs.

The players seeing the most action were. Bob Poulin, Joe Chartrand, Tom Henry, John Carroll, Tipper May, Harry McBain, Paul Esposito, Tony Romanelli, Lynn Dugan, Loyde Edwards, Stan Toma, Fred Esposito, Clarence Smith, Bill McGhie, Joe Torre, Bill Boyland and Paul Volk.

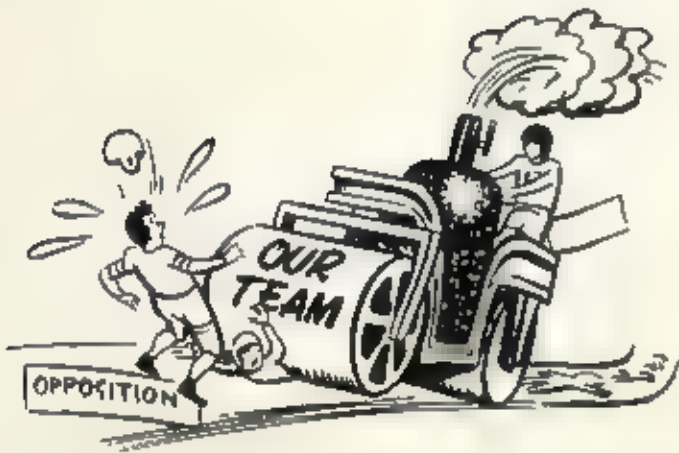
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5	Shendendehowa 0
2	Lansingburgh 0
4	Heatly 0
2	Troy 0
6	Burnt Hills 0
We	They
6	Waterford 2
2	Shendendehowa 1
2	Lansingburgh 2
0	Heatly 0
4	Troy 0
2	Fort Plain 4



# Soccer Banquet

Like the action on the field, the Soccer Banquet also proved to be a great success. The guest speaker, Joseph Garcia, presented a film on the advancement of Soccer, which was wholeheartedly received by all. As honored guests; the Board of Education, the male portion of our faculty, and our new principal attended.

The main feature of the banquet however, was the presentation of the Tri-County trophy to co-captains Lynn Dugan and Stan Toma. The honors were done by the league secretary, Mr. Robert Hill.



Joe Bills





## *Varsity Basketball*

The 55-56 Basketball season for W.H.S. proved to be very discouraging, in one respect, especially. Lack of height was the chief factor in Watervliet's final record of only 5 wins as opposed to 13 losses.

The squad was captained by Paul Esposito, who with the help of his teammates, achieved an excellent record, Paul broke two records, total points of one season and total points scored in one game.

The team consisted of five seniors and five juniors. The seniors were Paul Esposito, Don Quackenbush, Lynn Dugan, Chester May, and Bill Phillips. The five Juniors were: Fred Esposito, Frank Bowden, Andy LaValley, Stan Toma, and Lee Mieskie.

The team and student body wish to thank Mr. Jones for his untiring and devoted efforts as coach of the Canoneers.



Team	We	They
Cohoes .....	40	54
C.C.H.S. ....	48	68
'Burg .....	59	55
B.C.H.S. ....	47	78
Schuyler .....	58	76
Mechanicville .....	64	77
B.C.H.S. ....	65	75
Hudson .....	52	90
Cohoes .....	75	67
LaSalle .....	53	71
'Burg .....	51	63
Troy .....	54	48
Schuyler .....	59	83
Mechanicville .....	58	47
LaSalle .....	56	67
Hudson .....	75	100
Troy .....	82	64
C.C.H.S. ....	73	81





This year's Junior Varsity chalked up a fine upstanding record for their 55 56 Basketball campaign. From the 18 scheduled games Vliet overpowered 10 of her most worthy opponents. The eight losses suffered by our high spirited team were close, hard fought contests.

Sophomores dominated the Vliet squad, which had only 5 freshmen. The seven Sophomores were: Joe Chartrand, Ed Pike, Ken Fritz, Mike Kerin, Ray King, Lloyd Edwards, and Don Spiak. Backing the Sophomores were Freshmen Steve Galusha, Bill and George Peterson, Ed Warke and Robert Rounds.

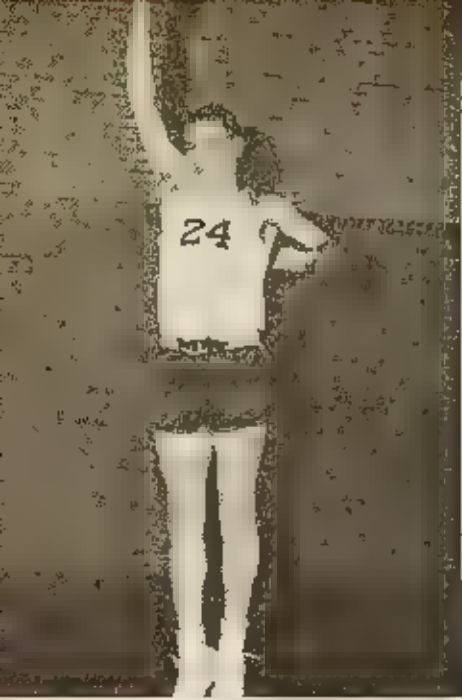
The J.V. Squad also extends its sincere thanks to coach "Tom" Jones for the coaching that made them a success.

Team	We	They
Cohoes	50	42
C.C.H.S.	57	59
'Burg	46	52
B.C.H.S.	43	56
Schuyler	58	40
Mechanicville	54	48
B.C.H.S.	54	50
Hudson	54	70
Cohoes	63	54
Team	We	They
LaSalle	49	88
'Burg	39	46
Troy	55	40
Schuyler	56	61
Mechanicville	72	52
LaSalle	50	65
Hudson	57	53
Troy	68	57
C.C.H.S.	56	54





# Individuals



LEE MIELEWSKI

FRED ESPOSITO



Captain  
PAUL ESPOSITO



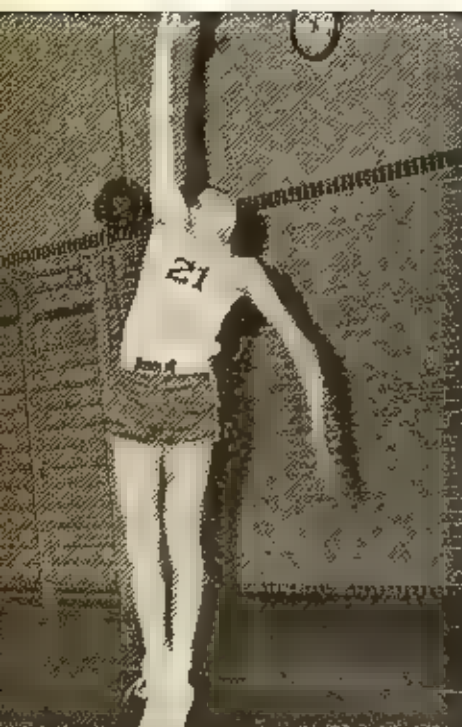
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FRANK BOWDEN



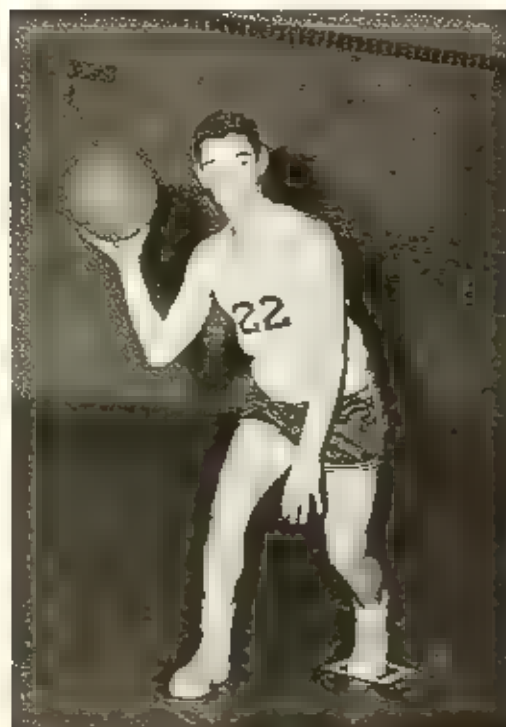
WALT GRADY



STAN TOMA  
LYNN DUGAN



DON QUACKENBUSH



ANDY LAVALLEY







## Baseball *Good Luck "Sandy"* *Bob Kelsey*

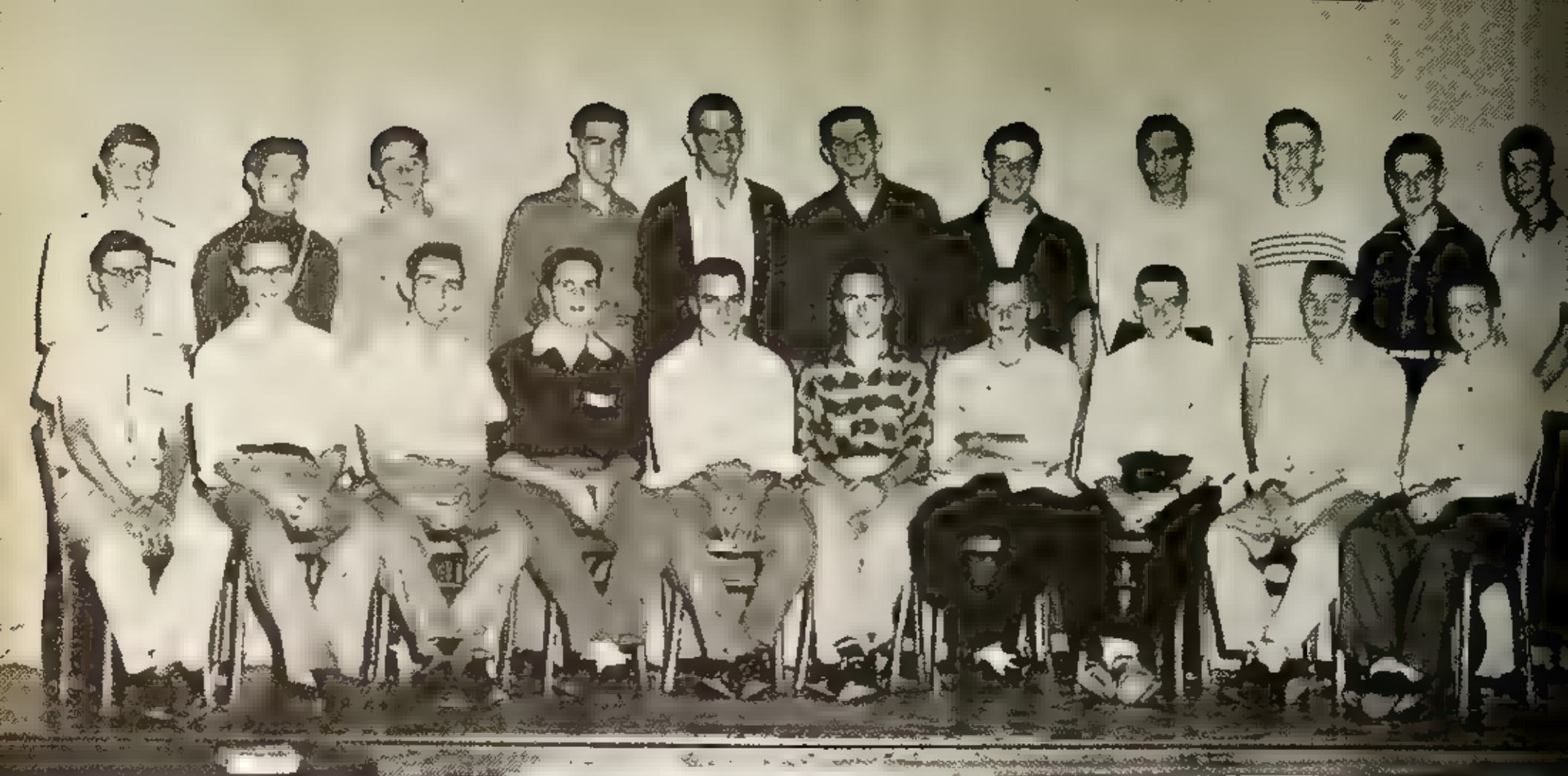
Under the direction of Coach Tom Jones, 'Vliet's 1955 nine went into action a relatively green squad, with only one letterman included among the six hold-overs. The inexperience of the squad played a large part in their poor record. The team was able to win only one game of the twelve played. While the 'Vliet nine never was in contention for a title, they played hard and never stopped trying.

The boys who saw the most action were: Jon Olson, catcher and Captain of the team; Tom Disonell, pitcher; Bill Tetreault, first base; Bob Kelsey, second base; Dave Maney, shortstop; Lionel Rogers, third base; Jim Saur, left field; Charles Kelsey, center field; and Ed Sells, right field.

We	They	We	They
2	Hudson 10	6	CCHS 7
0	CCHS 11	7	Waterford 10
10	Waterford 7	1	Hudson 11
0	LaSalle 5	10	Lansingburgh 20
6	Troy 7	1	LaSalle 12
1	Troy 4	0	Lansingburgh 11

*good luck to a real  
sweet kid  
Ray Henry*





## Track

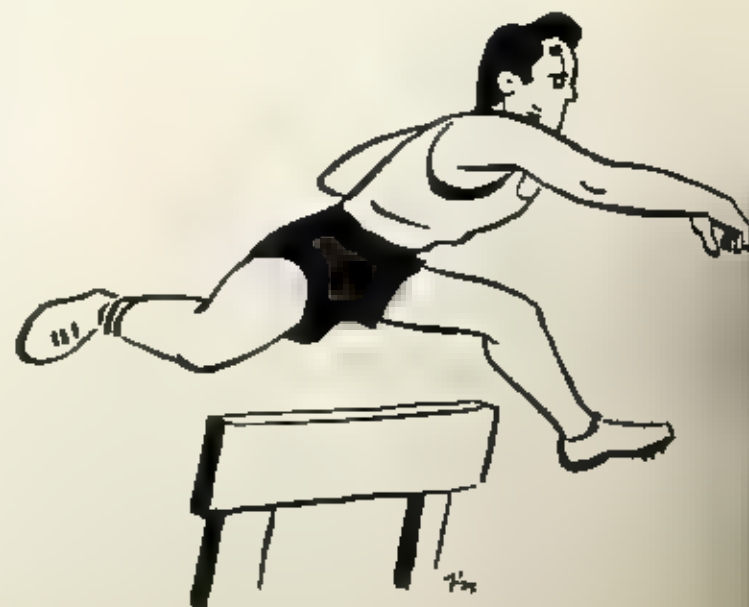
Also under the direction of Coach Nash was the 'Vliet Track Team which d'd not fare so well during the 1955 season.

Dick Foglia constituted the major portion of the Garnet attacks with his outstanding achievements in the shot-put and discus throwing.

Other boys playing an important part in the team's spirited efforts were: Tom Stah, Wayne Ambrose, Tom Barber, Bill Brown, Gene Bowen, Joe Bak, Charlie Kelsey, Bob Poulin, Andy LaValley and Walter Urbanski.

### TRIANGLE MEET

'Vliet	20
Burgh	58 1/2
Hudson	39 1/2
Vliet	61 1/2
Mechanicville	33 1/2
'Vliet	6 2/5
Burgh	48 2/7
La Salle	42 1/5
Cohoes	22 1/2
'Vliet	37
Cohoes	58
'Vliet	42
La Salle	53
'Vliet	53
Schuyler	40
'Vliet	63 1/2
Troy	66 1/2







Pat Breen      Florence Hughes      Evelyn DelSignore      Dorothy Provost      Judy Duffney  
Virginia Bird      Marcella Van Leuven

## *Varsity Cheerleaders*

When spir'its were low and scores even lower, the Cheerleaders, who did exceptionally well in keeping up the enthusiasm of the student body, were there to give a cheer for the boys of the Garnet and Gray.

Win or lose, they kept their spirits high in leading the students in cheering our team on to victory.

This year's squad consisted of Evelyn DelSignore, Captain; Marcella Van Leuven; Pat Breen; Virginia Bird, Florence Hughes, Dotty Provost, and Judy Duffney.





Knock! Knock! Knock on wood! Throughout the gymnasium, you can hear this cheer giving our boys the spirit of fight for another victory for W.H.S.

Our new J. V. cheerleading squad, of 1955-56, consists of the following girls Captain Marjorie Eagan, Barbara Common, Julie Mokay, Karen Blonshine, and Carol Mardigan. Judy Carl is alternate for the J. V. squad.

*Best of Luck always,*

*Marjorie*

## Junior Varsity Cheerleaders

Judy Carl

Karen Blonshine

Julie Mokay

Carol Mardigan

Marjorie Eagan

Barbara Common

*Good luck to a sweet gal who deserves it. Julie*

*Good luck to a real sweet gal. Judy*

*Best of luck always Karen Blonshine (for you)*





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The Girls' Athletic Association promotes leadership, sportsmanship, co-operation and teamwork. This organization came into existence six years ago. To become members, girls must participate in extracurricular sport activities. All girls are eligible.

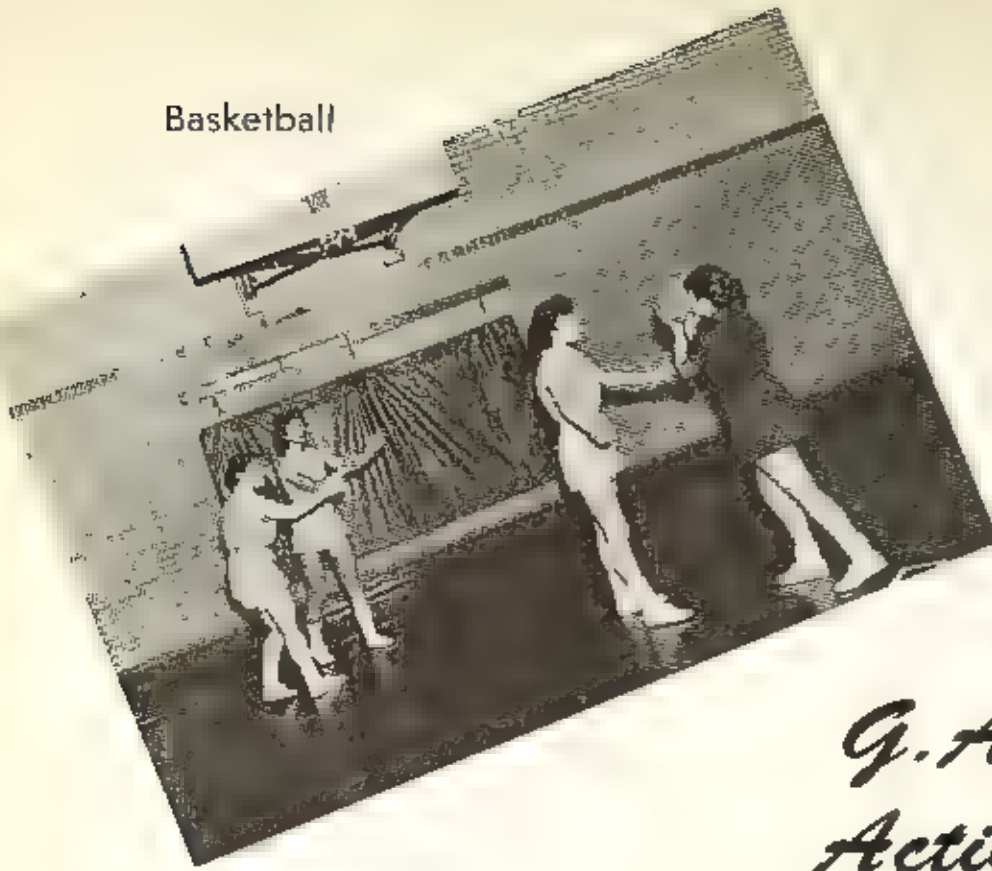
Each member receives points according to her ability in after school activities. Awards are given to the top ten girls of each class at the G.A.A. banquet in June.

Activities scheduled for this year are hockey, soccer, basketball, volleyball, badminton, horseback riding, softball, archery, and possibly tennis and bowling. Teams are selected to compete against other schools in the area. G.A.A., as in previous years, may sponsor a Sports and Demonstration Night this year.

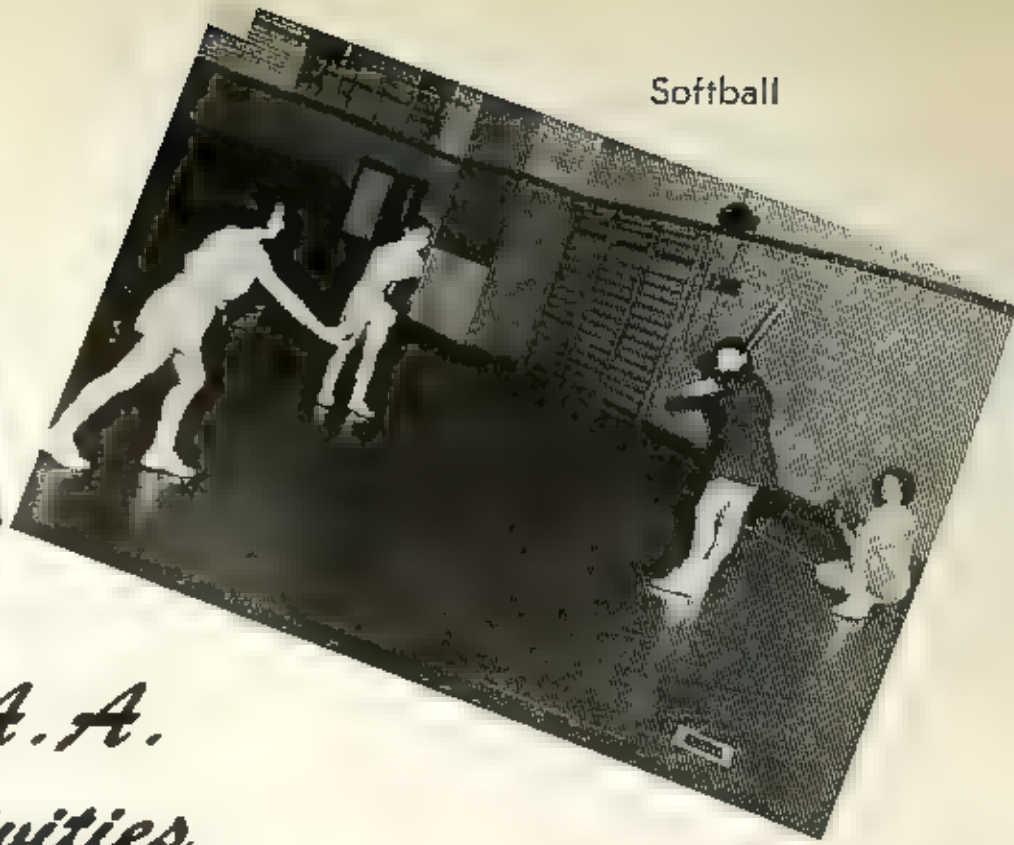
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Basketball



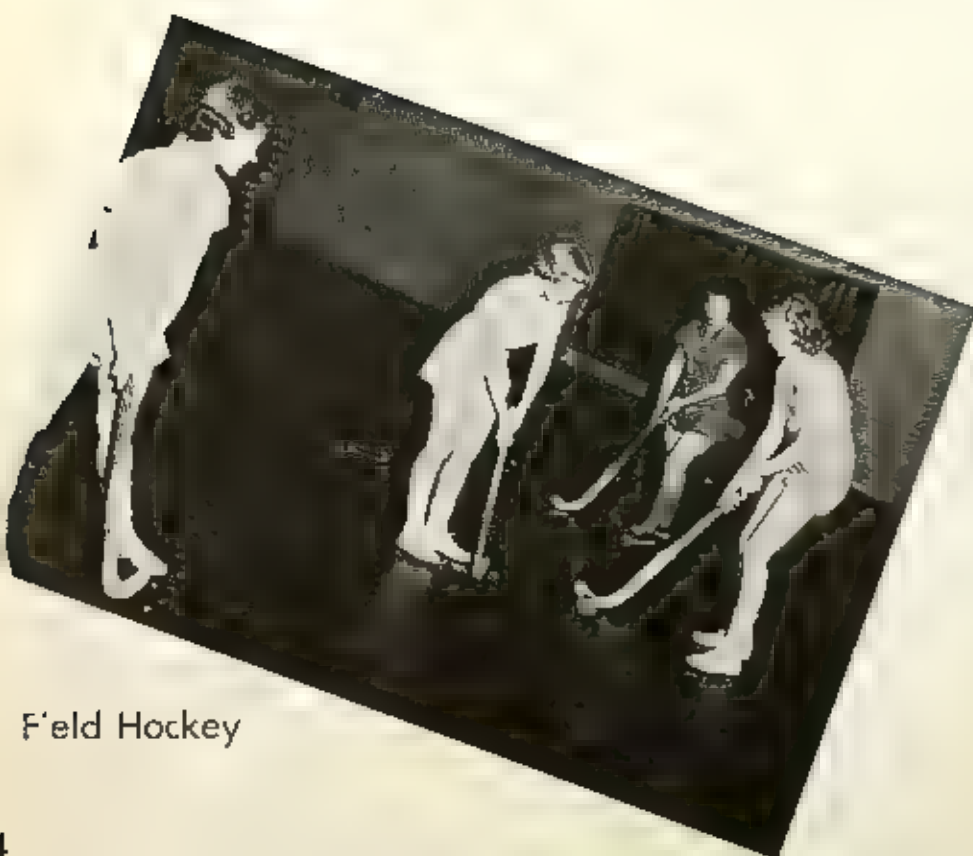
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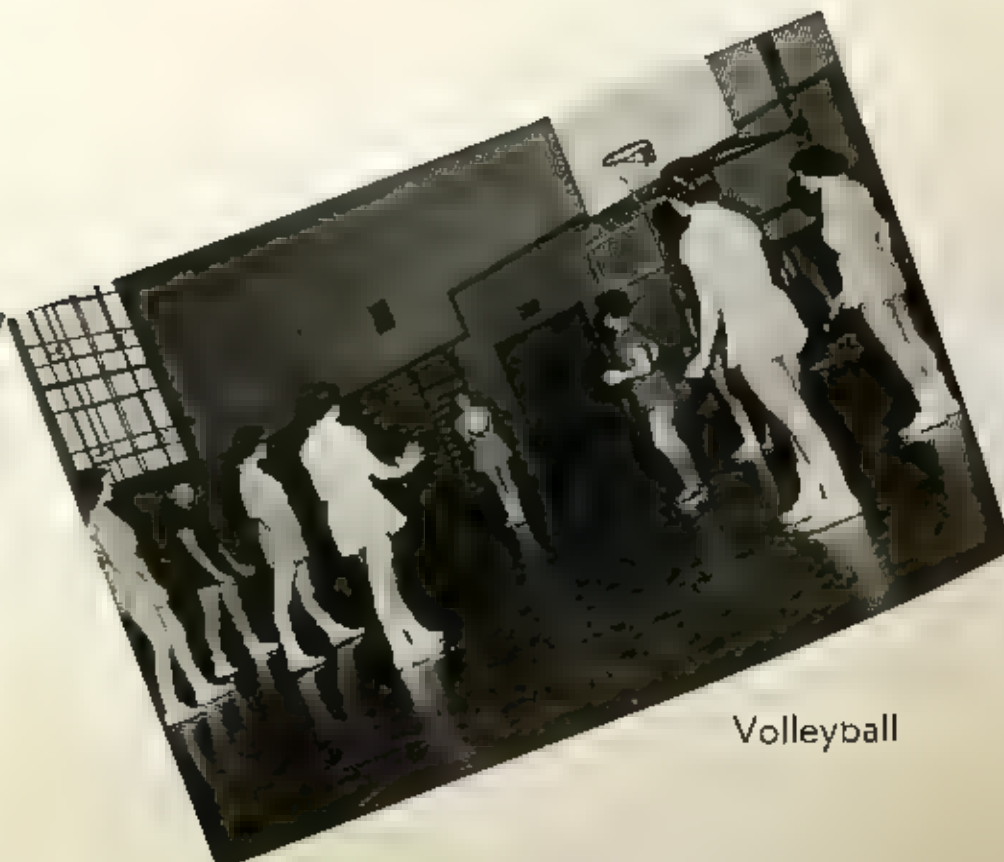
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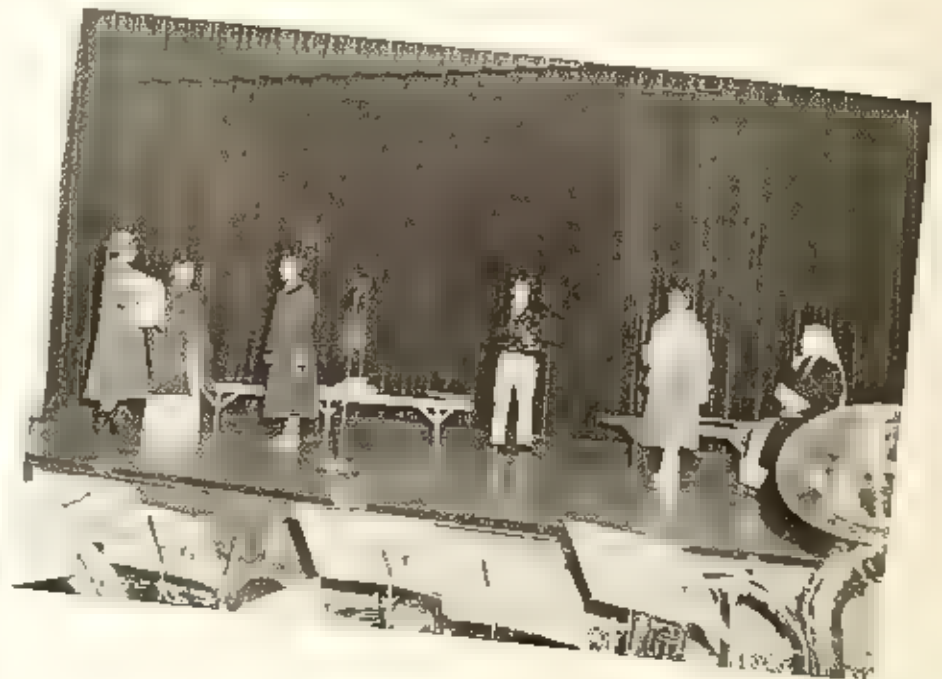


# Social



# Functions

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## *Junior Play*

The Junior Class successfully presented its annual Christmas Play, "Song of Glory" at the December fifteenth assembly.

Its theme depicted the error that many of us make in the rush and hurly burly of the Christmas season, the religious significance is often lost.

The characters of the play were excellently portrayed by Anna Hughes, Judy Duffney, Earl Eichele, Carol Mardigan, Ronald Dundon, Beverly Legenbauer, John Devoe, Victor Humel, Margaret Salmond, Pat Hunter, Joseph Viola, Gail Thorns and Barbara Common.

The play was under the competent direction of Miss Gabriels.



The Thalian Soiree was presented in the Circle Inn on Thanksgiving Eve, November 23, 1955. Music was furnished by Johnny Granato and his orchestra. Ninety-five couples attended this exciting affair.

The Queen and her Court were chosen at 10:30 to the strains of "A Pretty Girl is Like a Melody." The committee of judges selected lovely Judy Hart, Class of '57 as Queen, with June Walker as her maid of honor. On her court were Carole Collier, Ann DiModugno, Catherine Esposito, Barbara Guy, and Barbara McGovern.



*Best of luck  
in  
Duck*

## Thalian Soiree

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## *June Prom*

On an enchanting eve, June 29, 1955, the June Prom was presented at the Sheraton-Ten Eyck Hotel by the Class of '56.

The Rymanowski Brothers furnished the music to which couples danced from nine to twelve.

Lovely Virginia Bird was crowned Queen, Patricia Breen serving as her maid of honor. On her court were Joyce Best, Barbara Granger, Barbara McGovern, Jean Morrison, and June Walker.





*Forum Club  
Banquet*



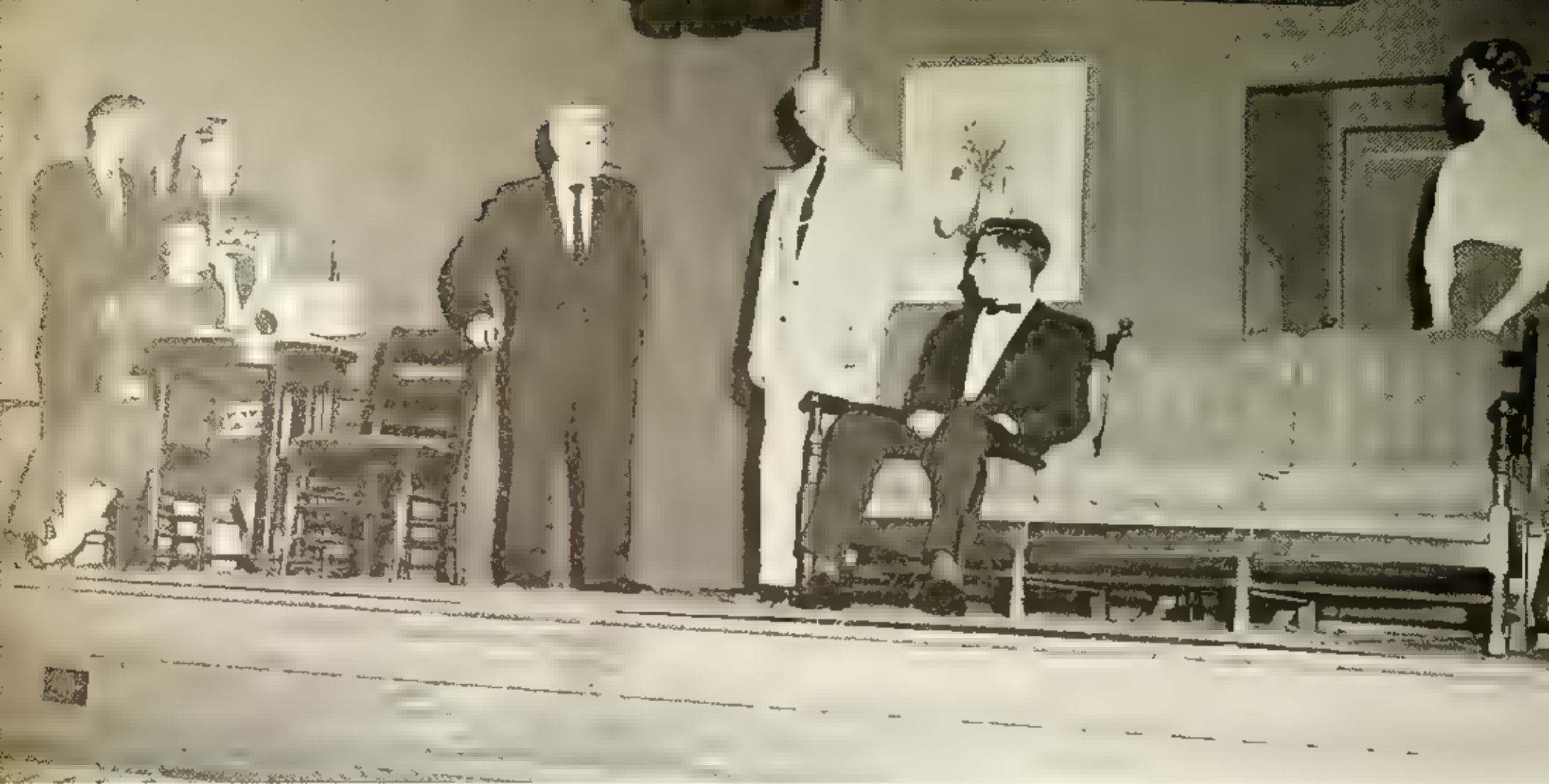
*Winter Whirl*



*French Club  
Dance*

*Spanish Club  
Dance*





## *Senior Play*

On the evening of November 18, 1955, the Senior Class presented "Junior Miss," a comedy in three acts, written by Jerome Chodorov and Joseph Fields. Almost a full house witnessed this very successful production, under the direction of Miss Jane Gabriels.

The role of Judy Graves, "Junior Miss," was portrayed by Virginia Bird, while Elmer Akots and Priscilla Conover backed her up with portrayals of Mr. and Mrs. Graves. Vicki Fiske and Margaret Paparian appeared as "sophisticated" Lois Graves and "happy-go-lucky" Fluffy Adams.

With the help of Carole Collier, Thomas Stoddard, Mar'lyn Ashley, Angelo Lomascolo, Almeron Richmond, Thomas Pratt, Robert Long, John Dean, Richard Foglia, Kenneth Kippen, Wayne Ambrose, Jerry Mastan, James Butler, and David Maney, the Class of '56 presented a very successful play.

Without the efforts of the production staff, headed by June Walker and Phyllis Salernos as student directors, the play would not have been the success it was.



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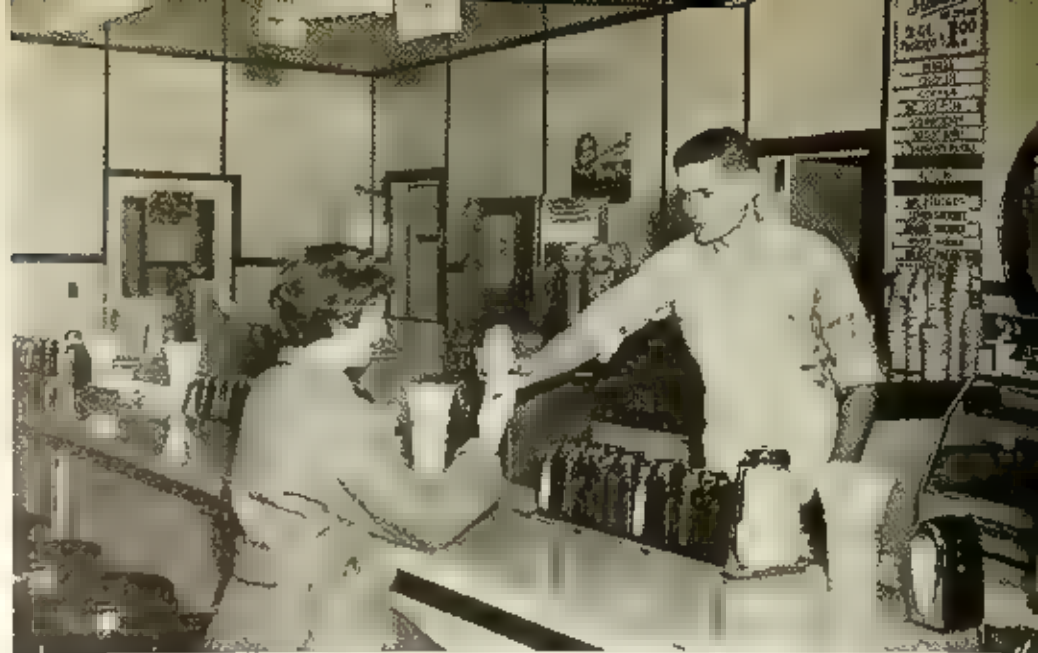
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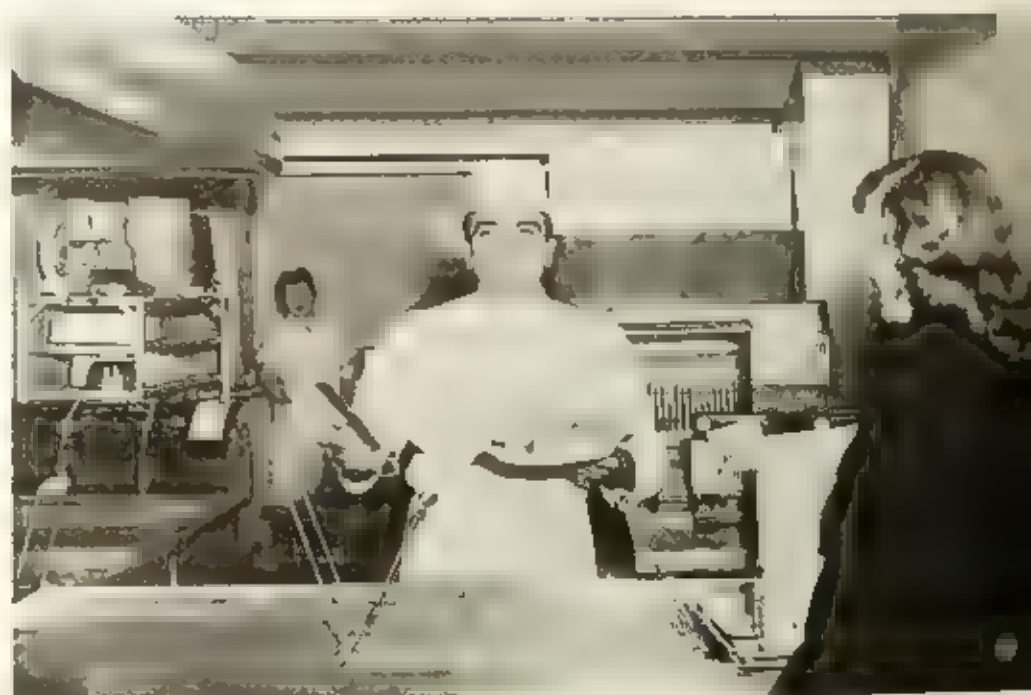
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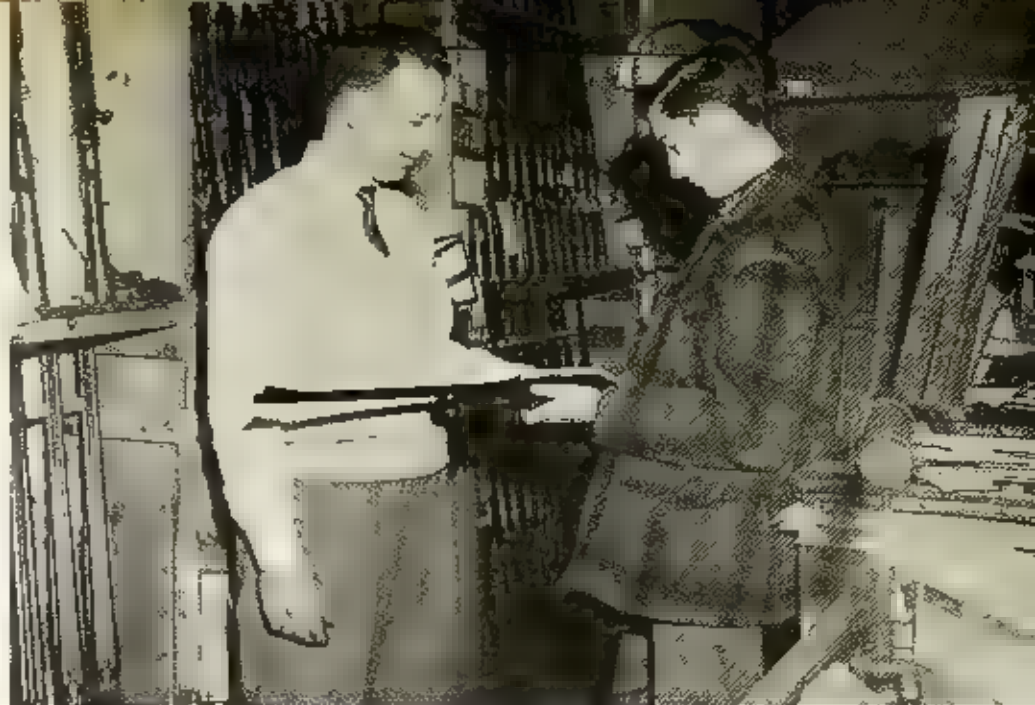
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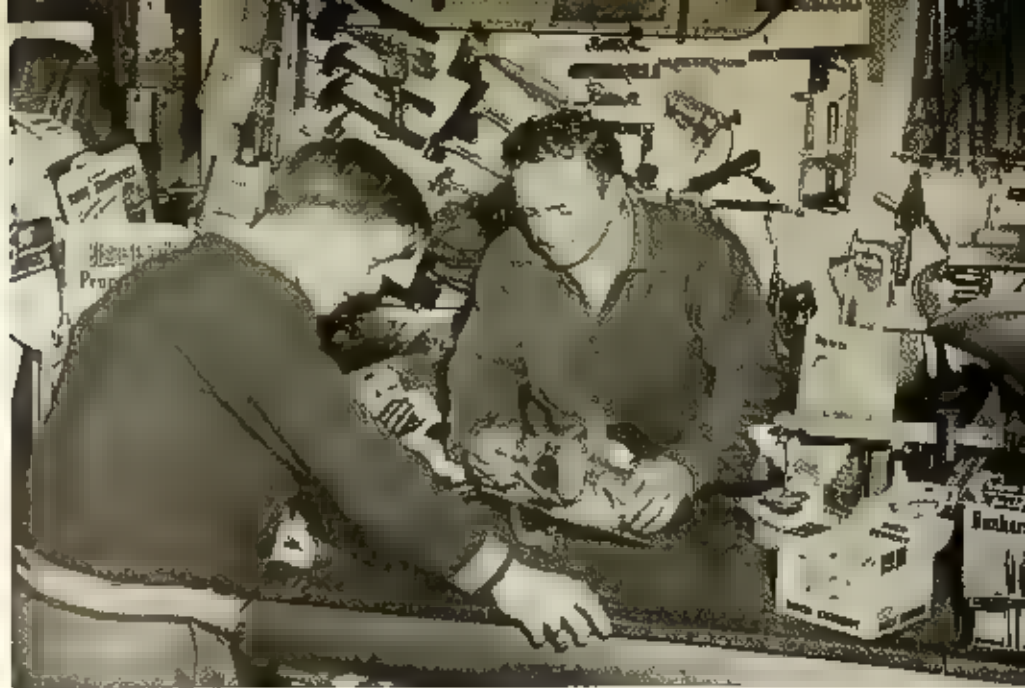
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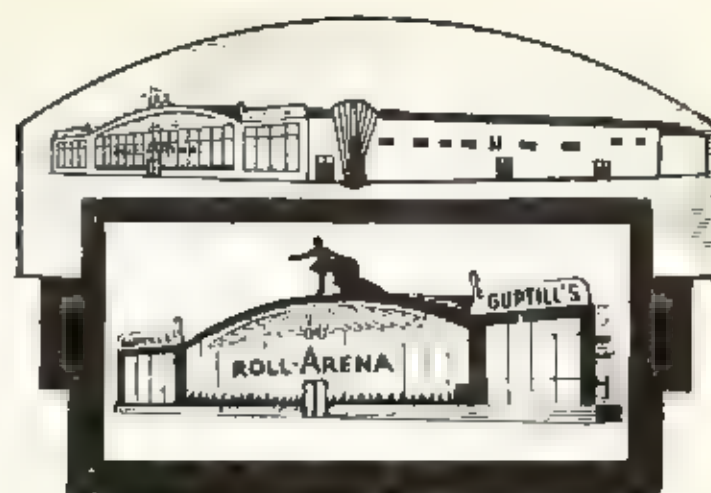




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